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WORLD CUP IN MIND, INDIA NAME BALANCED SQUAD FOR ASIA CUP

KL Rahul & Shreyas Iyer were named in the India's squad for Asia Cup. Both were recovering after undergoing thigh & back surgeries respectively

CHAHAL AXED, BUMRAH & KRISHNA IN

Chairman of selector Ajit Agarkar in presence of captain Rohit Sharma named the 17-member squad, which includes pacers Jasprit Bumrah and Prasidh Krishna, who have already made their international comebacks during the ongoing T20I series in Ireland after undergoing back surgeries. Leg-spinner Yuzvendra Chahal is the notable exclusion from the team

ROOKIE VARMA SET FOR ONE-DAY DEBUT

- Left-hander Tilak Varma has also made it to the squad after his impressive show in maiden T20I series against West Indies where he top-scored for India with 173 runs from five matches
- Asia Cup starts on August 30 with Pakistan hosting Nepal. India will play their first match against Pakistan in Pallekele on Sept 2 | P15

SEVEN

NUMBER OF TIMES INDIA WON ASIA CUP, MAKING IT THE MOST SUCCESSFUL TEAM

CHENNAI ▪ MADURAI ▪ VIJAYAWADA ▪ BENGALURU ▪ KOCHI ▪ HYDERABAD ▪ VISAKHAPATNAM ▪ COIMBATORE ▪ KOZHIKODE ▪ THIRUVANANTHAPURAM ▪ BELAGAVI ▪ BHUBANESWAR ▪ SHIVAMOGGA ▪ MANGALURU ▪ TIRUPATI ▪ TIRUCHY ▪ TIRUNELVELI ▪ SAMBALPUR ▪ HUBBALLI ▪ DHARMAPURI ▪ KOTTAYAM ▪ KANNUR ▪ VILLUPURAM ▪ KOLLAM ▪ TADEPALLIGUDEM ▪ NAGAPATTINAM ▪ THRISSUR ▪ KALABURAGI

SC bench to hear Cauvery row

TN counsel says fate of 14.91 lakh acres of paddy and future of four million farmers at stake

SHRUTI KAKKAR @ New Delhi

THE Supreme Court on Monday agreed to constitute a bench for hearing the Tamil Nadu government's plea to direct Karnataka to release forthwith 24,000 cusecs of water from its reservoirs to save the standing paddy crops.

After senior advocate Mukul Rohatgi mentioned the issue, a bench led by CJI DY Chandrachud agreed to constitute the bench. "I'll constitute a bench today (Monday)," the CJI said. The details about the proposed bench are awaited.

Tamil Nadu in its plea said the Cauvery Water Management Authority (CWMA) had on August 11, 2023, reduced the water to be released by Karnataka for 15 days (from August 11) from KRS and Kabini reservoirs to be realised at Billigundulu on the interstate border to 10,000 cusecs (0.864 tmcft per day) from 15,000 cusecs. "But even this has not been complied with by the Karnataka government," Tamil Nadu said.

The Cauvery Water Regulatory Committee (CWRC) had on August 10 asked Karnataka to release 15,000 cusecs per day for 15 days. "The actual flow recorded at Billigundulu on August 11, 12, 13, and 14 was 6,148 cusecs, 4,852, 4,453 and 4,000 cusecs, respectively," Tamil Nadu told the top court. Karnataka is duty bound to release 177.25 tmcft of Cauvery water to Tamil Nadu as per the 2018 order of the Supreme Court, the state said in its plea.

"About 14.91 lakh acres (net sown area) are dependent on Mettur reservoir, which in turn is dependent on the quantum of water realised at Billigundulu based on water released by Karnataka from KRS and Kabini reservoirs. During the southwest monsoon season, both kuruvai and samba crops are sown and transplanted in the Cauvery delta region of Tamil Nadu. Hence, release of water from Mettur during the season is crucial for TN. About four million farmers and 10 million labourers are directly and indirectly dependent on Mettur water for their livelihood in TN. Agricultural operation in the delta region is suffering for want of adequate water and the crops are facing water stress. This would affect the state's agricultural production," TN said in its plea.

The DMK government has also prayed for directing Karnataka to ensure release of water to Tamil Nadu for the month of September, make good the shortfall of 28.849 tmcft for the current irrigation year, and direct CWMA to ensure that Karnataka ensures stipulated monthly release during the remaining period of the current water year (June to May).

BJP cadres protest against the release of Cauvery water to Tamil Nadu, in Mandya on Monday | EXPRESS

DKS: Decision after tomorrow's all-party meet

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

WATER Resources Minister DK Shivakumar on Monday said the state government will take a decision on the issue of releasing Cauvery water after discussing it at an all-party meeting on Wednesday.

"It is unfortunate that the Tamil Nadu government has gone to the Supreme Court. They know that the situation is bad in Karnataka. Though we faced criticism, we released water to Tamil Nadu, respecting the law. But we are not able to meet their demand," Shivakumar told reporters.

His statement comes in view of the Supreme Court's decision to constitute a separate bench to hear Tamil Nadu's plea for release of Cauvery water.

He said the directive was to release 10,000 cusecs a day till August 31. But that was not fully implemented. "Today, the Supreme Court stated it will form a new bench. We will hold an all-party meeting on Wednesday. After the meeting, we will take a decision on the issue." P4

MANIPUR SITUATION

Blockade back by Kuki body on 2 nat'l highways

PRASANTA MAZUMDAR @ Guwahati

A tribal organisation in Manipur on Monday reimposed a blockade on two National Highways for an indefinite period alleging that the Centre failed to act against a "selective blockade" imposed by "Meitei mobs" in the Imphal valley targeting Kukis. Volunteers of Committee on Tribal Unity (CoTU) were out on National Highways 2 and 37 — the lifelines of the state — to ensure the blockade is strictly enforced.

NH 2 enters Manipur from Nagaland and is a shorter route while NH 37 snakes into the state from Assam and is a longer route. Both highways pass through the Kuki-majority Kangpokpi district before entering the Imphal valley. On August 17, the CoTU had set a three-day deadline, asking the Centre to ensure the free movement of supplies to some Kuki-majority hill districts.

Meanwhile, the Manipur Assembly did not meet though the state cabinet had recommended Governor Anusuiya Uikey to convene it from August 21. The Governor, however, did not issue a notification to that effect. The notification has to be issued 15 days ahead of a session.

"On July 27th, the state government requests Governor of Manipur to convene special session of Assembly in the third week of August. On August 4th, Governor is requested once again to convene special session, but this time on a specific date, namely August 21st," Congress leader Jairam Ramesh wrote on the micro blogging site X. Yet, the session was not called.

Earlier, all 10 Kuki MLAs, including seven from ruling BJP, had expressed their inability to attend the session due to the continuing violence in the state.

Nagas rap Kuki-Zos

The Nagas, who remained silent all along on the ongoing ethnic conflict in Manipur, criticised the Kuki-Zo community for allegedly distorting the state's history

Laptops for all govt deg college students: CM

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

CHIEF Minister Siddaramaiah on Monday said that the state government is planning to distribute laptops to students of all degree colleges run by it.

This was decided at a meeting of vice-chancellors of universities under the state government.

Siddaramaiah directed the officials to resume distribution of laptops to SC/ST students, which was stopped some time ago. He told them to distribute laptops to SC students under the Scheduled Castes Sub-Plan (SCSP) and for those from ST communities under the Tribal Sub-Plan (TSP). He directed Manivannan, Principal Secretary, Social Welfare Department, to provide Rs 230 crore for the same.

The CM said irrespective of their caste and religion, all students of degree colleges under the government should be given laptops. "We will prepare a plan for the same in the coming days," he added.

Siddaramaiah said 50% of posts in the universities are vacant. In all, 1,882 posts have been filled.

Some vice-chancellors said the universities have to pay salaries for 2,865 guest lecturers and also pensions for retired employees from the funds earmarked for them. This has increased the financial burden on them.

Referring to the allocation of Rs 5,470 crore for universities in this year's budget, they stressed the need for an additional allocation of Rs 2,474 crore. CONTINUED ON: P4

DEFACING B'LURU

BBMP slaps ₹50K fine on Cong cell

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

FOR the first time, Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) on Monday slapped a fine of Rs 50,000 on KPCC's Backward Classes Cell for putting up a banner in the city.

The Palike also filed a police complaint in this regard. The KPCC BCs Cell had put up a banner to mark the birth anniversaries of former PM Rajiv Gandhi and former chief minister Devaraj Urs on No. 94, Queen's Road. Officials of the BBMP's East Zone removed the banner and initiated action on the KPCC Cell.

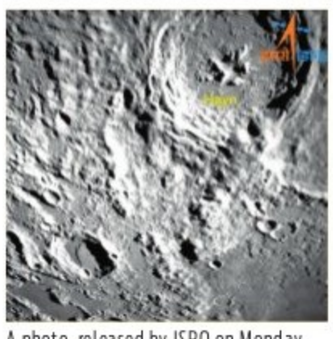
"So far, notices were served and complaints filed against those who violated the ban order. But this time, we penalised the KPCC Cell and filed a complaint with the High Grounds Police. We took action based on the high court order, and the directive of Deputy Chief Minister and Bengaluru Development Minister DK Shivakumar to remove all illegal hoardings and penalise the violators," a senior BBMP official told *TNIE*.

'Welcome buddy!' Chandrayaan 3 lander sets link with predecessor

PURAN CHOUDHARY @ Bengaluru

TWO days ahead of Chandrayaan 3's lander module, Vikram, attempting a record by soft-landing near the lunar south pole, it has established a two-way communication link with its predecessor mission Chandrayaan 2, whose orbiter continues to orbit the Moon despite its lander failing to achieve that feat four years ago.

Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) on the X platform said, "Welcome, buddy! Ch-2 (Chandrayaan 2) orbiter formally welcomed Ch-3 (Chandrayaan 3) LM (lander module Vikram). Two-way communication between the two is established. MOX (Mission Operations Complex) now has more routes to reach the LM."



A photo, released by ISRO on Monday, shows the far side of the lunar surface

ISRO had earlier said Chandrayaan 2 orbiter, Pradhan, would help facilitate communication between Chandrayaan 3 and ISRO's earth-based stations to help scientists keep an eye on the well-being of Vikram lander and Pragyaan rover throughout their 14-day mission.

The on-site lunar mission is expected to begin soon after Vikram lands near the lunar south pole and deploys Pragyaan rover on August 23 evening.

The two-way communication link between lander Vikram and Pradhan orbiter of Chandrayaan 2 would boost the process of obtaining and issuing commands from MOX at ISRO Telemetry, Tracking and Command Network (ISTRAC) in Bengaluru and the Deep Space Network at Byalalu near Bengaluru, which will receive data from the on-site lunar experiments conducted near the lunar south pole. The MOX provides tracking and orbit manoeuvring support for its satellites during space missions, including Chandrayaan 3. CONTINUED ON: P5

Restore papers lost in violence: Panel

SHRUTI KAKKAR @ New Delhi

A three-judge committee formed by the Supreme Court to oversee relief and rehabilitation in Manipur, on Monday submitted three reports in the court suggesting reconstruction of documents of the affected people and compensation. The court said it will pass procedural directions on August 25 to facilitate the functioning of the panel headed by former judge Gita Mittal.

The reports highlight the need for reconstructing essential documents lost by residents, upgradation of the Manipur Victim Compensation Scheme (MVCS) and appointment of domain experts to facilitate the panel's work in core areas. The core areas included violence, comprehensive psychological assistance and mental health care, medical care and health, relief camps, and data reporting and monitoring.

Chief Justice of India D Y Chandrachud said, "The first of the three reports highlights the loss of essential documentation of the residents of Manipur who have been dishoused. The committee suggests the appointment of a nodal officer to take charge of the reconstruction of the documents."

In the second report, the committee suggested substantial improvement of the MVCS since it barred the victims from receipt of compensation from any other scheme. In other states, if a victim has got benefits under any other scheme, it is taken into consideration while deciding the relief under the new scheme. The report suggested upgrading MVCS to bring it in conformity with the one mooted by NALSA (National Legal Services Authority).

Gita Mittal

Directions

The procedural directions the SC intends to issue include funding, setting up a web portal and other infra requirements

VSSC

CANCELS EXAM AFTER DETECTING FRAUD

The Vikram Sarabhai Space Centre, T'puram has cancelled a recruitment test held on Sunday following a report by police about a 'hi-tech fraud' involving a Haryana-based racket | P5

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Panel to formulate education policy

Bengaluru: The state government will constitute a committee to formulate a new state education policy, scrapping the New Education Policy (NEP) introduced last year, said CM Siddaramaiah. P4

Gandhi statue vandalised in S'mogga

Shivamogga: A statue of Mahatma Gandhi was vandalised in Holehonnur in Shivamogga taluk on Monday. Police have registered a case and formed three teams to trace the accused involved in the incident. P5

SC allows rape survivor to terminate pregnancy

New Delhi: The Supreme Court on Monday allowed a rape survivor to undergo termination of her over 27-week pregnancy. A bench of Justices B V Nagarathna and Ujjal Bhuyan said the Gujarat HC was not right in rejecting her plea. P10

Cell to curb fake news

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

CHIEF Minister Siddaramaiah on Monday approved setting up of a Fact-Checking Cell in the state to curb the fake news menace on social media.

The cell will be tasked with identifying fake news and tracing those responsible for it, restricting dissemination of fake news and ensuring stringent punishment to the accused.

The decision to set up the cell was taken at a meeting held to discuss issues related to cyber security here.

Observing that fake news is a big threat to democracy, Siddaramaiah stressed the urgent need to put an end to it. Appropriate rules and laws will be formulated in this regard, he said. The CM was apprised of the functional aspects of the cell. The officials informed him that the Cell will have a supervisory committee, nodal officers, analysis teams and capacity-building units.

Minister for IT-BT Priyank Kharge said, "Initially, the Department of Information Technology will assist the Cell. It should be given legal powers and function under the Home Department," he said.

Home Minister G Parameshwara said, "Those who spread and use fake news should be penalised."

BIG MOVE

Boy to man, Pragg's tie-break dance into final vs Carlsen

SWAROOP SWAMINATHAN @ Chennai

THERE'S something magical about witnessing sporting history as it unfolds in real time. Drama. Possibilities. Comparisons. In an instant, the moment is sold to all and sundry but the purity remains. At roughly 9.01 PM on Monday, R Praggnanandhaa joined one of the most exclusive of Indian sporting clubs — only Indian, Viswanathan Anand, had featured at the Candidates — after he engineered a sensational take down of Fabiano Caruana in tiebreaks.

At the fag end of a marathon semifinal that had gone into the third day, the 18-year-old had the finish line in sight: literally and metaphorically. In one smooth motion, he advanced the pawn from A7 to A8, exchanging it for a queen. It was akin to a general ordering their troops for one final assault to defeat a wounded enemy. Caruana may have as well given up the ghost. He did just that a few moves later to hand the Indian the decisive advantage in the second of the two sets of rapid tie-breaks. It was enough for the teenager to advance to the World Cup final against Norway's Magnus Carlsen.

R Praggnanandhaa beat Fabiano Caruana in tie-break of World Cup on Monday

It's just reward for the boy who became a man (he turned 18 during the event) in this record-breaking ascent of his. After two relatively soft-ball match-ups to get his tournament after a smooth start, he had to dig deep to eliminate Hikaru Nakamura in a shorter time control tiebreaks. He also survived a bum-clenching third day against friend and compatriot Arjun Erigaisi in the quarterfinal.

It could have gone so wrong for the Tamil Nadu player had Caruana correctly calculated a massive opening during the middle game in the first batch of tie-breaks. But the higher-rated US player made an error in judgement. From there, Pragg, who becomes one of the youngest players to feature in the final in its history, recovered lost ground to maintain parity as Caruana veered off course.

Over the course of the last three weeks, he has beaten the World No. 3 and the World No. 2. His next task? Beating the World No. 1. P15

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• Tuesday: 22/08/2023 • Year: Shobhakruta • Ayana: Dakshinayana
• Ritu: Varsha • Masa: Nija Shravana • Paksha: Shukla • Tithi: Shashti 9.54 pm
• Nakshatra: Swathi 4.21 am • Moon in Vrischika Rashi • Rahukaala: 03:00 am to 04:30 am
• Gulikakala: 12:00 pm to 01:30 pm • Yamaganda: 09:00 am to 10:30 am

WEATHER
MIN 22°C | MAX 31°C
FORECAST
Afternoon clouds.

Sunrise 6.08 am
Sunset 6.37 pm
Moonrise 10.33 am
Moonset 10.26 pm

Brand B'luru now includes edu criteria

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APART from the seven categories under the Brand Bengaluru initiative, spearheaded by Deputy Chief Minister D K Shivakumar, another -- Academic Bengaluru (Shaishanika Bengaluru) -- has been added to the list. The first meeting on this was held on Monday.

The meeting was chaired by Preeti Gehlot, Special Commissioner of Education Department and Nodal Officer of Academic Bengaluru. "To provide quality education, we all need to have a good plan. Under the Brand Bengaluru initiative, suggestions were received from the public under seven different categories. The suggestions are being collated by educational institutions and a report is being prepared. Along with the seven categories, suggestions will be received on Academic Bengaluru within a week. These will be collated, discussed in a seminar and submitted to the government," Gehlot said.

Providing quality education in government schools, transforming Bengaluru into a knowledge city, coaching children to prepare for competitive exams, opening of cluster academic centres for children, bringing change in the educational system under corporate social responsibility and taking steps to educate children in slums were some of the topics discussed in the meeting.

There are about 3,000 government schools and colleges and 166 institutions run by the BBMP. Decision on adopting schools and colleges will be taken by after discussion with the DyCM

CAUVERY ROW

Water release to TN will not affect city

BWSSB says water kept in reserve for drinking water needs of B'luru, irrigation

BOSKY KHANNA @Bengaluru

WITH Karnataka releasing water from its reservoirs in the Cauvery basin to Tamil Nadu, Bengaluru residents are apprehensive of supply cuts due to decrease in dam levels.

Many people have approached the the Bangalore Water Supply and Sewage Board (BWSSB) inquiring if there will be disruptions in water supply. Rumours on water shortage started doing the rounds after the Karnataka government stated that reservoir levels in Cauvery basin is dipping, and water cannot be shared with Tamil Nadu, despite Supreme Court orders.

As per the Karnataka State Natural Disaster Monitoring Authority, the present storage in Cauvery basin reservoirs is 79.83 tmcft as on August 21, while last year it was 112.65 tmcft. The gross capacity is 114.57 tmcft.

BWSSB chairman N Jayaram told *The New Indian Express* that there will be no rationing of water supply. "We will get our share and the supply for Bengaluru will continue as usual. We supply 1,450 million litres per day (MLD) of water to the city every alternate day," he added.

Officials in the water board and BWSSB said water is being kept in reserve for irrigation and to meet the drinking water needs of Bengaluru. "The government has made it very clear that irrigation and Bengaluru's drinking water needs are a priority. Monsoon has not ended, there is still hope. Even if there is no rain, there will be no shortage in water supply to Bengaluru," officials said.

BOREWELLS TO MEET WATER NEEDS

To ensure that there is sufficient water supply to the city, Bengaluru, Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) Chief Commissioner Tushar Girinath on Monday said BWSSB has undertaken the task of supplying borewell water and maintaining borewells in CMC and TMC areas. BBMP will dig borewells and supply water to the 110 villages. Work in this direction is still under progress, he added. Girinath said said he has received complaints that for some wards, excessive money has been allocated for sinking borewells. This will be looked into and the BBMP will ensure equal distribution of funds. BWSSB is also laying Cauvery pipelines in all the newly added areas under BBMP limits to ensure water supply.

We will get our share and the supply for Bengaluru will continue as usual. We supply 1,450 MLD of water to the city every alternate day — N Jayaram, BWSSB chairman

Power disruption for 3 days from today

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THERE will be no power supply from August 22 to 24 to carry out maintenance works.

On August 22, power will be disrupted from 10 am to 3pm in Laxmi Layout, Kammanahalli, Shanthinikethana, Doddamma Layout, Panduranganagara Layout, BWSSB Kothanoor and surrounding areas.

On August 23, there will be no power supply from 10 am to 4 pm in Yelahanka New Town, Vidyaranyapura, Judicial Layout, Unnikrishna Double Road, Sheshadripuram, Dairy Circle, Someshwara Nagar, Judicial Layout, Chowdeshwari Layout, GKVK, NCBS and surrounding areas.

On August 24, there will be no power in Sahakaranagar, Byatarayanapura, Talakaveri Layout, Amruthahalli, Jakkur, Bhuvaneshwarinagar, Amruthanagar, Shivaram Karanth Nagar, Navyanagar, Koddigehalli Main Road, Defence Layout and surrounding areas from 10.30 am to 3.30 pm. From 10 am to 3 pm, power will be disrupted in HSR Layout, Jakkasandra, CPWD Quarters, Teachers colony, Venkatapura, KSRP Quarters, MLA Layout, Somasundarapalya, Haralur Road, Agara Flyover, Hosur Main Road, Ambedkar Nagar, ITI Layout, Begur Road, Bommanahalli, Kudlu, Vasthu layout, Maruthi Layout, Koramangala, Weavers Colony, Maruthi Nagar, Pillaganahalli, Gottigere, MLA Layout, Kammanahalli, Balaji Garden Layout, Basavanapura, Tejashwininagar Phase-2, Mylasandara, Hommedevanahalli, Vaddarapalya, Prabhakar Reddy Layout, Betadasapura, Hullahalli and surrounding areas.

You may dial 1912 to lodge complaints.

DANGER AT EVERY STEP

A newly laid road at Bapujinagar has been dug up by a civic agency for underground drainage works, posing a risk to both motorists and pedestrians | SHASHIDHAR BYRAPPA

KSRTC to introduce upgraded buses in Sept

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THE Karnataka State Road Transport Corporation (KSRTC) will introduce upgraded non-premium buses that offer more comfort with bucket seats and adequate leg space for commuters by September end. This is for the benefit of women commuters under the Shakti scheme launched by the state government last month.

The corporation, which is known for having the best premium buses among government transport corporations in the country, has upgraded the looks of its non-premium ordinary red buses.

It unveiled the proto-type of its "Point-to-Point and Express" bus here on Monday. The bus has wide windows and windshields. It comes with attractive LED lights and destination boards.

Transport Minister Ramalinga Reddy and officials inspect the upgraded non-premium bus in Bengaluru on Monday | EXPRESS

Transport Minister Ramalinga Reddy inspected the prototype along with KSRTC MD Anbu Kumar and Transport Secretary NV Prasad.

The prototype is built by KMS Coach Builders. The bus has 52 seats. Its bonnet comes with insulated rexine binding. The other attractions are its pneumatic doors and a sensor with an emergency button.

Canara Bank comes up with digital rupee app

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CANARA Bank has launched an UPI interoperable digital rupee mobile application as part of the Reserve Bank of India's Central Bank Digital Currency (CBDC) pilot project. It is the first of public and private sector banks to introduce the feature called 'Canara Digital Rupee app'.

With the introduction of this innovative feature, customers will be able to make payments by scanning merchant UPI QR codes using Canara Digital Rupee app. Merchants can accept digital currency payments through their existing UPI QR codes in addition to the UPI-based payments without the requirements of a separate onboarding process for CBDC.

K Satyanarayana Raju, Managing Director and CEO of Canara Bank, launched the app. He said interoperability is a revolutionary step towards digitalising the Indian economy.

He said this will enable customers to enjoy the benefits of fast and secure transactions with digital currency devised by RBI. The app is now available for both Android and iOS users.

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All int'l flights to be shifted to T2

All international flights at Bengaluru Airport will be shifted to Terminal-2 from August 31. Flyers can also receive assistance through the customer engagement centre at +91-8884998888 and 080-22012001/080-66785555. ENS

BMTC inks MoU for accident insurance

BMTC has signed an MoU with Union Bank Of India to provide accident insurance as part of corporate salary package. With this, BMTC employees having salary account in the bank can receive from Rs 50 lakh to Rs 65 lakh accident insurance. ENS

Panel set up for Kempegowda Jayanti

BBMP Chief Commissioner Tushar Girinath on Monday said a committee under Transport and Muzurai Department Minister Ramalinga Reddy has been formed to look into the celebrations of Kempegowda Jayanati. ENS

PVT TRANSPORT ASSN BOYCOTTS MEETING WITH CM

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THE Federation of Karnataka State Private Transport Associations, which is demanding that the state government compensate them for loss after the launch of the Shakti scheme, boycotted the meeting chaired by Chief Minister Siddaramaiah on Monday.

The federation, which represents 32 transport associations of cabs, private buses, maxi cabs and autos, had called a Bangalore bandh on July 27 to protest the rollout of the Shakti scheme that offers free travel to women in non-premium buses across the state. It said Additional Transport Commissioner Hemanth Kumar dropped the names of some associations that are part of the federation in the list of those attending the meeting and included those associations that have not called the Bangalore bandh.

Nataraj Sharma, federation president, said following the promise by Transport Minister Ramalinga Reddy that the problems of the private transport operators after the launch of the Shakti scheme will be attended to, they had put the planned protest on hold.

He added that the federation has given ten days time to the state government to convene a meeting under the chairmanship of the CM. "If our demands met, we will decide on the Bangalore bandh," Sharma said.

BBMP office fire: Palike will help doctors in every way, says Girinath

Bengaluru: BBMP Chief Commissioner Tushar Girinath on Monday said the corporation will extend all support to those who sustained burn injuries and to doctors treating the Palike staffers. To a query on the condition of chief engineer Shivakumar, who was injured in the fire at the BBMP head office, he said the media should not create panic. Meanwhile, Victoria Hospital issued a health bulletin on all the nine patients. Shivakumar is critical, but stable. He sustained 25% burns and is on ventilator support. He is suffering from Acute Respiratory Distress Syndrome (ARDS), Hypotension and extensive lung injury. Jyothi (operator), who suffered from 28% burns, is critical, but stable. Srinivas, Project Management Consultant, who suffered 27% burns, and Siraj, who suffered 28% burns, are stable and their vitals are normal. ENS

Daily Starscope

PETER VIDAL

22ND August : If you're already looking forward to the next twelve months, then spare a thought for all of us who aren't stuck into the western calendar. Actually, one thing I like about the modern world is the way in which we are all beginning to enjoy each other's festivals.

ARIES (Mar 21 - Apr. 20)
You now realise that there is no way back, even if you are at loggerheads over private and domestic matters. Relatives will eventually realise why you had to make certain decisions, even if these were unpopular. In the meantime, persuade a partner it is really worth cooperating with you.

TAURUS (Apr. 21 - May 21)
After passing through a phase in which you have put your ideas across with great vigour, you are moving towards a more conciliatory period. In future you will seduce people into agreeing with you by using your delightful, irresistible, poetic charm.

GEMINI (May 22 - June 21)
This week offers your last chance to put into action a wide-ranging reassess-ment of your plans and interests. It looks very much as if the outcome will probably exceed your wildest expectations. But, first, you have to resolve a long-standing domestic drama.

CANCER (June 22 - July 23)
Although broadly speaking you are in the right, you must be aware that partners and close friends feel they have an axe to grind and may not agree to your proposals, especially where money is concerned. The negotiations must continue, at least until next week.

LEO (July 24 - Aug. 23)
Don't feel obliged to spend too much time going over old ground, much as you might need to concentrate on establishing a firm base for current operations. But please do listen to the still, small voice of your conscience. And do seize generous gestures when they're offered.

VIRGO (Aug. 24 - Sept. 23)
Gradually you are shifting away from a concern with the specifics of your professional ambitions towards a feeling that it is not the details which matter, but the degree to which you derive personal satisfaction from your general direction. Your real path is an inner one.

LIBRA (Sept. 24 - Oct. 23)
There's little doubt that your underlying situation has improved in recent months. Right now your biggest flaw is over-confidence, brought on by Mars' active location. In fact, it is best to face up to your doubts instead of sweeping them under the carpet.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24 - Nov. 22)
After a period of frenetic financial activity, it is beginning to look as if normality is about to return. But you must be cautious about such things lest you suddenly drop your guard and blunder into a bad deal. It may be another two weeks before the confusion clears.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23 - Dec. 22)
You're not normally that interested in playing emotional games or getting involved in tangled situations, mainly because you are much too busy for such time-wasting fripperies. However, you will soon have cause to take a close look at your own motives.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23 - Jan. 20)
Your business sense is usually fair and honest, largely thanks to the location of the diplomatic sign, Libra, in your chart, and any financial skills you've picked up have been reinforced by your good qualities. Even so, events during the next few days may make you aware of the need to organise your resources more profitably.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 - Feb. 19)
At a time like this, you are subject to rapidly changing moods. Focus on domestic improvements and family relationships, but don't let other people take your decisions for you or attempt emotional blackmail, especially not where your own money is concerned.

PISCES (Feb. 20 - Mar 20)
By all means look further afield for the inspiration that seems to be so important to your general well-being. Minor disagreements will do little to interrupt a positive and satisfying chain of events. The next two weeks bring a steady buildup to a personal breakthrough.

Solutions to Yesterday's puzzle

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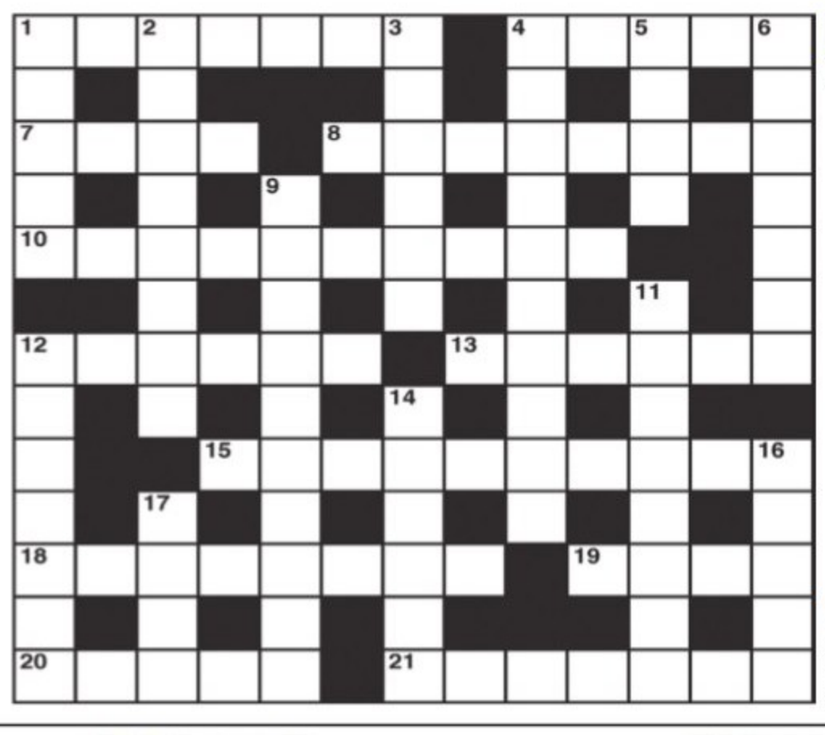
SUDOKU EVIL

TEST YOUR NUMBER CRUNCHING SKILL WITH OUR UNIQUE PUZZLE

Fill in the grid with digits in such a manner that every row, every column and every 3X3 box accommodates the digits 1 to 9, without repeating any.



CROSS WORD

ACROSS
1 He gets what's left (7)
4 Raced around the wood (5)
7 A preposition seen in print only (4)
8 Sounds like a habit to get used to (8)
10 Consider carefully being cautious (10)
12 Ridicules cooks (6)
13 Biblical head-hunter (6)
15 One who does appear to be a lawyer? (3,2,5)
18 'Hot Lips' a MASH nurse works here (8)
19 Indicate it's despicable (4)
20 Spoils sought by antiquarians (5)
21 Simply commercials about suits (7)

DOWN
1 He's landed in Scotland (5)
2 Understand how to escape (3,5)
3 Cortes becomes a faithful companion (6)
4 Their suits are not lawsuits (5,5)
5 Time of the year for fruit (4)
6 A novel language (7)
9 People never read their own (10)
11 Not a description of a housekeeper? (8)
12 Western stockholder (7)
14 Uplifting numbers at a musical performance (6)
16 They may run out in time (5)
17 Drink it up as a starter (4)

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTIONS

Across: 1 Night porter, 9 Italics, 10 Squat, 11 Glee, 12 Remember, 14 Euclid, 16 At rest, 18 Disciple, 19 Hell, 22 Raise, 23 Concise, 24 Predestined.

Down: 2 Inane, 3 Hail, 4 Poster, 5 Rossetti, 6 Equable, 7 Ringleaders, 8 Storyteller, 13 Dividend, 15 Cashier, 17 Slacks, 20 Elite, 21 Anti.

JUMBLE

UNSCRAMBLE THESE JUMBLES, ONE LETTER TO EACH SQUARE, TO FORM FOUR ORDINARY WORDS.

BY DAVID L. HOYT AND JEFF KNUREK

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Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

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(Answers Monday)

Yesterday's Jumbles: THINK MERCY PLAGUE UNLOAD
Answer: They could afford an RV big enough to live in because they saved enough — TAKE-HOME PAY

The Department of Women and Child Welfare with the help of other departments has prevented 20 child marriages in Bidar district from January to August 15 this year, said department deputy director Prabhakar

Loan defaulters not vacating auctioned asset

Elderly woman, son harassed, accused also threaten police team which warned them

PRAVEEN KUMAR @Bengaluru

IF you feel owning a property that has been auctioned from a bank is safe, then think twice. A septuagenarian woman and her son are facing the worst time of their lives for buying such a property in Kengeri Satellite Town. After the bank auctioned the property and handed over the keys by evicting the loan defaulters, the victims started facing problems. They hired a group of security guards to guard their property. But the defaulters have allegedly trespassed into the property by threatening the guards.

The mother and son approached the police seeking help. When policemen went to the spot and advised the accused to follow the directions of the court or they will face action on charges of contempt of court, they are said to have threatened the police too.

"The suspects had taken a loan on the building in a Tumakuru-based cooperative bank. They turned defaulters for not clearing the loan and the building was auctioned. The aged woman and her son purchased the property on the 5th Main for Rs 3.5 crore in June 2022. When the defaulters refused to vacate the property, the bank filed a complaint against them at the Kengeri police station. The bank again approached the court. After a year, this June, the court directed the suspects to vacate the property. On August 16, after the buyers obtained the house keys from the bank, they hired security guards to guard the building. The accused trespassed into the property by breaking the court seal. When the woman and her son requested them to vacate the house, they allegedly threatened them with dire consequences and said they will never vacate the house. The woman has filed a police complaint," said an officer, who is part of the investigation.

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>
> Police officer

The Kengeri police on Saturday visited the property. When the suspects refused to vacate the property and threatened the police, the latter filed another complaint against the suspects and 15 others at the Kengeri police station on Saturday.

"It is a court matter. The suspects are said to have approached the court again against the bank," the officer added.

SACRED SNAKE

A woman offers prayers on the occasion of Naga Panchami at Muktinaga Temple in Bengaluru on Monday | VINOD KUMAR T

EXPRESS READ

Retd judges can be appointed to address RTC workmen woes: HC

BENGALURU: The Karnataka High Court on Monday said Road Transport Corporations (RTC) can appoint retired judges, including civil judges, district judges and former public prosecutors, as Enquiry Officers to solve workmen issues. Justice Suraj Govindaraj passed an order after hearing a batch of petitions filed by the employees of state-run transport corporations. The court said that the RTCs have been appointing retired civil judges, retired district judges and former public prosecutors to inquire into matters and such persons are being appointed because they have sufficient knowledge of the law and the procedures. The court also directed the RTCs to reinstate the workmen in a batch of petitions with 40 per cent back wages and all consequential benefits. The petitioners-workmen are aggrieved by the disciplinary proceedings taken by the RTC by virtue of which, the workmen have either been dismissed from service or punishment lesser than dismissal has been awarded.

Woman killed in elephant attack in Kodagu, villagers stage protest

Madikeri: A 65-year-old woman was killed in a wild elephant attack at Badaga village near Siddapura in Kodagu Monday morning in the second such incident in Siddapura limits over the last nine days. Ayeesha, a resident of Badaga, was attacked by an elephant while she was out for a walk on the village's main road, killing her on the spot. The incident came into light when some labourers alerted the forest department, who allegedly arrived two hours later, the villagers alleged. This resulted in a protest against the forest department with members of several social groups joining in, and alleged that the forest department has failed to tackle the wildlife conflict and demanded that the elephant be captured immediately. Madikeri DCF AT Poovaiah, Virajpet DCF Sharanappa and other officers visited the spot and assured that the elephant will be captured. Forest department sources said that heavy rain has damaged the elephant trenches and solar fences in the area.

BANDIPUR LAND

HC tells Ganesh to file reply on illegal construction

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@Bengaluru

THE Karnataka High Court on Monday asked actor Ganesh aka Ganesh Kisan to reply within a week to a notice issued by the regional commissioner and chairman of Bandipur Eco-Sensitive Zone Monitoring Committee to submit records and stop construction on a piece of land on Survey No. 105 measuring 1 acre 24 guntas at Jakkalli of Gundlupet taluk of Chamarajanagar district, which was purchased by him on January 19, 2022.

Ganesh Kisan

The court also said the committee should conclude the inquiry within four weeks after the reply by the actor. Till then, no coercive action should be taken, it added.

Justice Krishna S Dixit passed the order, disposing of Ganesh's petition, questioning the notice dated August 14, 2023, issued by the committee asking him to produce all the documents relating to the construction of a building on the land within seven days and to stop all construction activities until further orders.

On Ganesh's application, the committee on March 15, 2023 sanctioned permission to construct a right round compound wall to the entire property and to construct a temporary residential house.

Plaints filed

He started construction. But some persons filed complaints alleging that the construction was taken up contrary to the permission granted. This was after the spot inspection by the Range Forest Officer disclosed that Ganesh was using earthmovers to level the land and was making arrangements to construct huge residential buildings which amounts to violation of the condition while granting permission.

The committee issued the notice while also recommending appropriate action against Ganesh. Ganesh then approached the high court.

He contended that the notice is wholly premature and except for putting up barbed wire fencing to the entire land and putting up columns, he has not yet commenced construction.

On using the earthmover, it was for levelling the land and digging the earth for planting 10-year-old trees and other rare plants, he stated.

MARRIAGE MESS

63-yr-old woman says lover cheated her

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@Bengaluru

A 63-year-old woman has filed a complaint against her 70-year-old lover, after he reportedly refused to marry her. The suspect, a widower, is a retired public sector undertaking employee.

The suspect is identified as Loganathan, while the complainant is identified as Dayavani. Both are residents of Saraswathipuram in Ulsoor. Both the accused and the complainant, who is a widow, used to meet during their morning walk.

The suspect was looking for a girl to wed his divorced son. He also sought help from the complainant to look for a girl. Later, he is alleged to have proposed to her and assured to marry her after his son's wedding. The two have gone on trips and also visited malls and restaurants.

The two are said to be in a relationship for quite some time now. Loganathan was preparing for his son's wedding, which is scheduled in the month of September.

Dayavani allegedly urged Loganathan to marry her, during his son's wedding itself. However, he refused to marry her, and is alleged to have threatened her with dire consequences. After he started avoiding her, the woman is reported to have tried to meet him again. When he continued to avoid her, she filed a complaint in the second week of this month.

"The case is still under investigation. Both have lost their spouses, and were in a relationship willingly. No arrests have been made yet," said an officer investigating the case.

Driver ends life, names employer in death note

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Bengaluru

A 43-year-old driver in Pulakeshinagar police station limits ended his life by suicide on Monday. The victim has been identified as Jemon Varghese, who hailed from Kottayam in Kerala. He was staying in the servant quarters of an upscale residential complex on Mosque Road in Frazer Town. The incident took place on Monday afternoon inside the toilet of the complex's terrace.

Varghese stayed in the servant quarters of Green Avenue Apartments for the last one year. He was found hanging from the window grill, with a saree. The victim has reportedly left behind a suicide note in Malayalam, implicating his employer for his death. He is also said to have mentioned the names of three policemen attached to Pulakeshinagar police station in the note, which was however refuted by the jurisdictional DCP.

Varghese worked as a driver for Gayathri G Gopal, owner of flat no. 401. Last Thursday, Gayathri had filed a complaint against Varghese and three other house helps after diamond, gold and other valuables weighing about 250 grams, worth Rs 15 lakh, went missing. She had moved to another flat in the same area due to renovation work in Green Avenue, and had reportedly handed over the flat keys to Varghese. A few days ago, when she went to take the valuables, she found the safe broken and the valuables stolen. Based on her complaint, the Pulakeshinagar police booked Varghese and three others for theft. Following the complaint, Varghese was reportedly called for questioning.

Reacting to the allegations against the three policemen's names appearing in the death note, DCP (East) Bheemashankar S Guled said the issue is false. "Police have registered a case as per law and the death note is against the house owner. We are taking the help of translators since the note is in Malayalam," he added.

TATA CAPITAL HOUSING FINANCE LIMITED

Regd. Office: 11th Floor, Tower A, Peninsula Business Park, Ganapatrao Kadam Marg, Lower Parel, Mumbai – 400013. **CIN No. U67190MH2008PLC187552**
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POSSESSION NOTICE (FOR IMMOVABLE PROPERTY)
(As per Rule 8(1) of the Security Interest Enforcement Rules, 2002)

Whereas, the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of the TATA Capital Housing Finance Limited., under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(12) read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, issued a demand notice dated as below calling upon the Borrowers to repay the amount mentioned in the notice within 60 days from the date of the said notice.
The borrower, having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower, in particular and the public, in general, that the undersigned has taken Possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under section 13(4) of the said Act read with rule 8 of the said Rules.
The borrower, in particular, and the public in general, are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the **TATA Capital Housing Finance Limited**, for an amount referred to below along with interest thereon and penal interest, charges, costs etc. from date of demand notice.
The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

Loan Account No.	Name of Obligor(s)/ Legal Heir(s)/ Legal Representative(s)	Amount & Date of Demand Notice	Date of Possession
TCHHL04930001001119 36 & TCHIN04930001001 13164	**Mr. Potteri Ramesh**, (Borrower) **and Mrs.Pujari Bhargavi as** (Co Borrower)	As on 06.06.2023 Rs.1,86,09,984/-	**18th August, 2023**

Schedule of the Property: All that the piece and parcel of the property bearing Site No.3, Katha No.229, New Katha No. 832/3, Property No.58, E Katha PID No.150200400100800860, situated at Hirandahalli Village, Avalahalli Panchayath, Hidarahalli Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore measuring East to West 40 Feet and North to South 96 Feet, in all measuring 3920 Sq. Ft., with Building 1071 Sq., Ft., RCC Roofed Constructed with cement walls and Bricks, with Electricity and Water connections and civil amenities and **Bounded on :- East By :** Site No.4, **West By :** Site No.2, **North By :** Property belongs to Mennon, **South By :** 25 Feet Road.

For Tata Capital Housing Finance Limited
Date: 18th August 2023 Sd/-Authorised Officer
Place: Bangalore Contact No. (022) 61827414, (022) 61827375

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Tender Notice No. N2-009/C-03/2023 Dt. 24.07.2023

Name of work : Design and Construction of Elevated Metro Viaduct of Length 6.414 km between Ch:18218.586 m to Ch: 24633.194 m in Reach-3A of NMRP Phase-2.
Cost of Documents : INR 1,18,000/- (inclusive of GST).
Date Of Prebid Meeting : 28-08-2023
Interested Bidders may visit **www.mahametro.org** or CPP Website : **https://eprocure.gov.in** for NIT bid documents can be download from **https://mahametrorail.etenders.in** from **16.00** Hrs on **11.08.2023.**

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VACANCY NOTICE

C-DOT invites applications in prescribed format from eligible candidates working in State / Central / UT Govt, PSUs / Autonomous / R&D / Private Organisations for the following post on direct recruitment / deputation basis,
Location: Bengaluru

Sl.No.	Name of Post	Pay Matrix & Level	No. of Posts
1	**Senior Manager (Admin & Campus)**	**Pay Level - 13 as per 7CPC**	01

Please visit C-DOT website Careers (cdot.in) for complete details of this Advertisement. Interested and eligible candidates may apply and submit their application online on or before 13 Sep 2023, 5 p.m. All Government candidates are to route their application through proper channel as per details given in the website.

Sd/-
Registrar

COUNCIL OF ARCHITECTURE
(A Statutory Authority of Government of India under Architects Act, 1972)
India Habitat Centre, Core 6A, 1st Floor, Lodhi Road, New Delhi-110003
website: www.nata.in, www.coa.gov.in

IMPORTANT PUBLIC NOTICE

REVISION IN ELIGIBILITY FOR ADMISSION TO B.ARCH. COURSE FOR 2023-24 AND CONDUCT OF 4TH TEST OF NATA 2023

The Council, with the approval of the Central Government has amended the Regulation 4(1) and (2) of the Council of Architecture (Minimum Standards of Architectural Education) Regulations, 2020 and amended the eligibility for admission to Architecture course w.e.f. 19.07.2023, as under:

1. "(1) No candidate shall be admitted to architecture course unless she/he has passed 10+2 or equivalent examination with Physics and Mathematics as compulsory subjects along with either Chemistry or Biology or Technical Vocational subject or Computer Science or Information Technology or Informatics Practices or Engineering Graphics or Business Studies with at least 45% marks in aggregate or passed 10+3 Diploma Examination with Mathematics as compulsory subject with at least 45% marks in aggregate."
2. "(2) The candidate needs to qualify an aptitude test in architecture conducted either by NTA (i.e. JEE) or "NATA" conducted by the Council of Architecture."

Accordingly, all stakeholders i.e. students, parents, architectural institutions and concerned authorities are required to follow the above eligibility criteria for admission to First Year of 5-year B.Arch. Degree Course for the academic session 2023-24.
In view of the above revised eligibility criteria, the Council has decided to conduct 4th Test of NATA 2023 Examination on **September 17, 2023 to facilitate the eligible aspirants with one final opportunity to appear for the NATA for the purpose of admission to B.Arch. Degree Course.** The candidates qualifying in the 4th NATA Test shall be eligible for admission to B.Arch. degree course for academic session 2023-2024, irrespective of the fact whether they had appeared in previous Tests of NATA 2023 or not.
It may be noted that **admission of successful candidates in 4th NATA Test shall be only against vacant/ unfilled seats available at various Institutions. Centralized Admission counselling process in the states shall continue and will not be affected by the results of the 4th Test.** For further details on registering for NATA, please visit website www.nata.in.

New Delhi
August 22, 2023
Registrar

Government of Karnataka
City Municipal Council Gadag Betegeri
District : Gadag State: Karnataka Ph : 08372-259932
E-mail : itstaff.ulb.gadag@gmail.com
No.GBCMC/T.S/E.D/Street Light/2023-24/787 Dt: 21-08-2023

Annual Short Term Re-Tender Notification
(Only Through e-Procurement Portal)

Tender is invited as per Karnataka Transparency in public Procurement Act 1999-2000 subject to Standard Tender Document Rules through e-procurement portal in two cover system from registered 1st class electrical contractors for Annual Maintenance of Street Lights of Gadag Betageri twin cities of the year 2021-22 (under City Municipal Council Grant). Therefore tender can be submitted through e-procurement portal website. www.kppp.karnataka.gov.in and for further details the website of this office www.gadag-betagericity.gov.in can be viewed. Details of work

Sl. No	Indent No	Details of work	Tender E.M.D (in Rs)
01	DMA/2023-24/EL/ Work_Indent-1414/Call-02	Work of Annual Maintenance of Street Lights in the Limits of Gadag Betageri twin cities for the year 2023-24	**199780.00**

Tender Schedule Dates under e-procurement system are as below : (1) Tender document will be available in e-Portal from date : **21-08-2023** (2) Last date of for submission of tender : **20-09-2023** up to 4-00 PM (3) Date of opening technical bid : **21-09-2023** at 11-00 AM (4) Date of opening financial bid : **26-09-2023** at 11-30 AM (5) Date of Pre-bid Meeting : **15-09-2023**
More Details Contact e- procurement portal Helpline No:+91-8046010000,+91 68948777.

Sd/- (Smt. Usha M Dasar) Prisident CMC, Gadag-Betageri
Sd/- (Ramesh Sunagar) KMAS Municipal Commissioner CMC, Gadag-Betageri

DIPR/Gadag/KSMCA/137/2023-24

MANGALORE ELECTRICITY SUPPLY COMPANY LIMITED
(A Government of Karnataka Undertaking)

SEE/HRD/MNG/AO/AEE/AE/2023-24/255 Date: 14.08.2023

Notification

Mangalore Electricity Supply Company Limited invites applications for Selection of Candidates for Apprenticeship Training. The Applicants may directly upload application in **https://forms.gle/XvzYw1KZ2jEeUDTg6e.**

Sl. No.	Type of Apprenticeship	No. of Vacancy	Education Qualification
1	Engineering Graduate Apprentice Trainees	70	B.E. (E & E) (E&C)
2	Diploma Engineering Apprentice Trainees	65	Diploma (Electrical), (Electronics)
3	Non-Technical General Stream Graduates	65	B.A. / B.Sc. / B.Com. / B.B.A. / B.C.A
Total		200	

Applicants are directed to submit the scanned copies of documents pertaining to educational qualification in the portal.
As per the Apprenticeship Training Act 1961 stipend fixed per month Rs. 9,000/- for Engineering Graduates Apprentice & Rs. 8,000/- for Diploma Engineering Apprentice and Rs. 9,000/- Non-Technical General Stream Graduates respectively.
Starting date for submission of application **19.08.2023. Last date for submission of application 12.09.2023.**
Condition: (1) Candidates should complete above mentioned education qualification before date of Commencement.(2) Candidates should not exceed 5 years after completion of above mentioned degree (3) Apprentice is only one year training programme not a recruitment.

Sd/-, Superintending Engineer (Ele.) HRD Centre, Shakthinagar, MESCOM, Mangaluru.

For Power Related Complaints & Assistance Call Toll Free Number 1912

Former law and parliamentary affairs minister and the Karnataka government's special representative to New Delhi, TB Jayachandra, who claimed to have received threat calls after he raised the issue of alleged irregularities in the implementation of the Bengaluru-Mysuru Infrastructure Corridor (BMIC) project by Nandi Infrastructure Corridor Enterprises (NICE), has urged the government to confiscate the entire project

CM urges Centre to release Special Grants and State Specific Grants

Siddu tells Union Government to accept 15th Finance Commission's recommendations

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru

CHIEF Minister Siddaramaiah urged the Centre to accept the 15th Finance Commission's recommendations on Special Grants and State Specific Grants, and release funds to Karnataka on utmost priority.

In a letter to Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman, the CM said the Commission in its report for 2020-21 has recommended Rs 5,495 crore to Karnataka as Special Grants for 2020-21, and in the final report for 2021-26, it had awarded State Specific Grants of Rs 6,000 crore to Karnataka for holistic improvement of water bodies of Bengaluru and the Peripheral Ring Road. However, no grants have been released so far, which has come as a major setback to the state's fiscal position, which is already strained due to severe cut in tax devolution, the CM said.

The 15th Finance Commission has reduced Karnataka's share in tax devolution to 3.647 per cent of the divisible pool for the term 2020-21 to 2025-26, from 4.71 per cent recommended by the 14th Finance Commission. Karnataka has seen the steepest cut of 23 per cent, owing to the reduction in the devolution share, the CM stated.

Siddaramaiah stated that Karnataka has lost out heavily on the Income-Distance criteria adopted by the Commission. The introduction of a new methodology for the compilation of GSDP has dramatically raised Karnataka's GSDP in the 2011-12 series by over 30 per cent, as against an average increase of less than 9 per cent for all states put together. The increase in GSDP at the absolute level was similarly reflected in a step up in per capita income affecting the state's standing. It affected the state's share in the Income-Distance parameter from 4.2 per cent as per the 14th Finance Commission to 1.1 per cent. "This alone dragged the devolution share of the state from 4.71 per cent awarded by the 14th Finance Commission to 3.64 per cent awarded by the 15th Finance Commission," the CM stated.

Siddaramaiah stated that though the IT-related services' contribution has increased the GSDP significantly in the 2011-12 series, there is no corresponding contribution of these services to state taxes as exports of IT services are zero-rated.

The decrease in tax devolution share to Karnataka by the 15 Finance Commission when compared with the 14th Finance Commission's recommendation, has decreased the total tax devolution to the state by Rs.37,011 crore in the past four years ie. from FY2020-21 to FY2023-24.

"Considering the serious fiscal constraints of the state on account of decreased devolution, I request you to kindly accept the recommendation of the Commission on Special Grants and State Specific Grants and release it to the state on utmost priority," Siddaramaiah urged in his letter to the Union Finance Minister.

> **Considering the serious fiscal constraints of the state on account of decreased devolution, I request you to kindly accept the recommendation of the Commission**
>
> Chief Minister to Centre

Mandya MP Sumalatha Ambareesh joins the protest by BJP workers, against release of Cauvery water to Tamil Nadu, in Mandya on Monday | EXPRESS

BJP protests in Mandya against release of Cauvery water to TN

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Mysuru

BJP, which had planned to block the Bengaluru-Mysuru Highway to protest against the release of Cauvery water to Tamil Nadu, limited its protest to a dharna on Monday after the police did not give permission to block the road.

Hundreds of BJP workers and leaders gathered in front of Jayachamaraja Wadiyar Circle in Mandya and protested.

Mandya MP Sumalatha Ambareesh, who too joined, questioned the government's decision to release water when farmers and the local population do not have enough water.

Sumalatha said she urged Chief Minister Siddaramaiah to instruct Cauvery Neeravari Nigam Limited officials to stop water release. Former chief minister BS Yediyurappa, former minister Dr CN Ashwath Narayan and other leaders who were expected to take part in the protest did not as the highway blockade was cancelled at the last minute.

Meanwhile, following the BJP Core Committee meeting on Monday, former chief minister Basavraj Bommai said, "The state government has failed to state clearly the existing quantum of water in Cauvery river, rainfall, Karnataka's need, Tamil Nadu's need and also the ground realities."

Former minister R Ashoka said, "Congress is adopting an indifferent attitude towards the state and its people on Cauvery. It is trying to please its I.N.D.I.A. partner DMK so that Sonia Gandhi and Rahul Gandhi are happy. To earn DMK's goodwill, the ruling party is sacrificing the water needs of the state and drinking water needs of the city."

BJP will hold a protest on the Cauvery issue in Bengaluru on Wednesday, the day the government has called an all-party meeting to discuss the issue. Another protest will be on August 29. Asked if they would boycott the all-party meeting, Ashoka said, "We will not, but we will oppose Congress' stand."

IT-BT Minister Priyank Kharge told TNIE, "There is nothing for Congress to learn from BJP in safeguarding Karnataka's interests. Everyone knows the hollow achievements of the army of 25 MPs."

Only 44tmcft in 4 reservoirs of basin: DKS

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THE state government has filed an appeal before the Cauvery Water Management Authority to reconsider its direction.

Leaders of various political parties, former chief ministers, MPs from the state and legal experts have been invited to the meeting. The state government is ready to take an all-party delegation to the Centre depending on the decision to be taken at the meeting on Wednesday, he said.

The meeting will also discuss the Mekedatu balancing reservoir and other projects to be taken up by Karnataka, the DyCM said.

Shivakumar said only 55tmcft of water is available in four reservoirs in the Cauvery basin, including KRS and Kabini. The state needs around 124tmcft, including 44tmcft for drinking in Bengaluru, Mysuru, Mandya and other places. "If we have sufficient water, we would have helped them (TN). The situation is such that we have to save water for drinking," he added.

He accused the BJP and JDS leaders of politicizing the issue. Former CM HD Kumaraswamy had alleged that the Congress government is releasing water to TN to save the I.N.D.I.A alliance of which the ruling DMK is a member.

According to information provided by the DyCM's office, water flow that should have been ensured at the inter-state border at Biligundlu as per the CWDT award as modified by the Supreme Court order of 16/02/2018 in a normal year till 20/08/2023 was 70.07 tmcft. But, the actual flow ensured at Biligundlu as on 20/08/2023 was 24.056 tmcft. It was 284.862 tmcft as on 20/08/2022.

The storage position in four reservoirs as on 21/08/2023 was 69.805 tmcft, while it was 102.632 tmcft as on 21/08/2022.

Power cuts a gift from Cong govt: Ravi

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CONGRESS is pushing the state into darkness and power cuts are a gift from them, said senior BJP leader CT Ravi after attending the party Core Committee meeting at the BJP headquarters here on Monday.

He alleged the Congress government is involved in a transfer racket by putting up government posts for auction. "There is a tussle between MLAs and ministers over transfers and that has led to souring of relationships between MLAs and ministers," he added.

He said Congress came to power alleging corruption in the BJP government, but it is now indulging in corruption. Congress, which claimed to be fighting for freedom of expression, is penalising those who expressed their views on social media by filing cases against them, he said.

"We will hold a protest highlighting all these issues in Bengaluru on August 28. Another protest will be held at all district headquarters till September 8," he said.

"Justice Nagmohan Das has been appointed to probe the 40 per cent commission allegation, but we are not confident that he will do it with honesty. He had acted at the behest of Congress in several investigations, including the Datta Peetha issue," he claimed.

The meeting was attended by party state president Nalin Kumar Kateel, former CMs BS Yediyurappa and BS Bommai, Union minister Pralhad Joshi, Ravi and others.

Former CM BS Yediyurappa arrives for BJP's core committee meeting in Bengaluru on Monday | EXPRESS

Chief Minister Siddramaiah and Higher Education Minister Dr MC Sudhakar at Vidhana Soudha on Monday | NAGARAJA GADEKAL

GOVT TO CONSTITUTE PANEL FOR EDUCATION POLICY

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THE state government is constituting a committee to formulate a new state education policy, scrapping the New Education Policy (NEP) introduced last year, said Chief Minister Siddaramaiah, while Deputy Chief Minister DK Shivakumar said they are going to scrap the policy implemented by the previous BJP government.

Mentioning that education is a state subject, Siddaramaiah said the NEP has been formulated without taking state governments into confidence. "Education policy cannot be centrally imposed. It was a conspiracy," he claimed. In a country like India which has varied cultures and languages, NEP is not acceptable. It has not been accepted by many states, including those ruled by BJP. The Tamil Nadu government has already clarified that it is not going to implement NEP, he added.

"NEP will not help SC, ST and rural students. Educational institutions do not have the necessary infrastructure to implement this education policy. It has only created unnecessary confusion," said Siddaramaiah, attending a meeting of education department officials and vice-chancellors.

Shivakumar said that they are scrapping NEP as promised in the party manifesto before the Assembly election. "We will not allow the Nagpur Education Policy in Karnataka. During the previous tenure of the Congress government from 2013 to 2018, we had constituted the Karnataka Knowledge Commission. Its recommendations will be included in the state education policy," he added.

Higher Education Minister Dr MC Sudhakar, Primary Education Minister Madhu Bangarappa, litterateur Baraguru Ramachandrappa and senior government officials attended the meeting.

CM tells V-Cs to up Gross Enrolment Ratio

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MORE than 88% of the allocation for universities is spent on salaries. How can one expect the universities to take up new initiatives, Siddaramaiah said. He stressed the need for universities to focus on education that helps students to get jobs.

Meanwhile, Siddaramaiah directed the vice-chancellors to take steps to increase the Gross Enrolment Ratio (GER) in the higher education sector. He told them to focus on the districts where the students' enrollment is poor.

According to a press release from the Chief Minister's Office (CMO), the state's average GER is 36% and that of the country is 27.4%. In Karnataka, the GER of male students is 34.8%, while that of female students is 37.2%. The GER of SC students is 25.6% and that of ST students is 23.4%. The aim is to increase the overall GER to 50% in the next seven years.

Presently, there are 1.31 lakh students in 32 universities of Karnataka. The CM directed the officials to focus on increasing the GER in districts such as Chamarajanagara, Yadgir, Hassan and Kodagu. He also directed them to take steps to improve the quality of education and give importance to research. Vice-chancellors from 32 universities took part in the meeting.

Cong eyes BJP MLAs' support base ahead of '24

DEVARAJ B HIREHALLI
@ Bengaluru

A posse of BJP and JDS leaders from Yeshwanthpur Assembly constituency joined the Congress in the presence of newly-appointed Congress Working Committee (CWC) member and Rajya Sabha MP Syed Naseer Hussain, an aide of AICC president Mallikarjuna Kharge, at the KPCC office here on Monday.

It is a clear indication that the Congress high command gave its nod for the 'Operation Hasta' ahead of the 2024 Lok Sabha polls, and it has started with the saffron party's second-rung leaders who are supporters of BJP MLAs.

It is significant that some of the leaders whom the KPCC president and DyCM DK Shivakumar received 'wholeheartedly' were the supporters of Yeshwanthpur BJP MLA ST Somashekar, who on Sunday called on Chief Minister Siddaramaiah. In fact, Shivakumar has assigned the task to Nelamangala Congress MLA Srinivas, who had attended a meeting between Somashekar and his supporters, recently.

BJP leader Katta Subramanya Naidu greets Deputy Chief Minister DK Shivakumar at the latter's residence in Bengaluru on Monday | EXPRESS

Already, the supporters, including former BBMP corporators, of KR Puram MLA Byrathi Basavaraj have joined the Congress. Last week, a few BJP workers of Rajarajeshwari Nagar Assembly constituency, including supporters of MLA Munirathna, joined the Grand Old Party.

Meanwhile, former minister Katta Subramanya Naidu called on Shivakumar on Monday. He may also likely join the Congress, according to sources.

'DKS exercising power'

A Congress leader, meanwhile, observed that Shivakumar seems to be exercising his power as the DyCM, the KPCC president, and also the Bengaluru Development Minister, and has managed to score brownie points against his detractors.

"The four Special Investigation Teams (SIT) assigned with the task of conducting a probe on the works under BBMP limits are likely to give reports in a month's time and the supporters of some BJP MLAs would face the music" he pointed out.

EXPRESS READ

5-yr term for panchayat presidents, VPs likely

BENGALURU: The state government is planning to extend the terms for president and vice-president of Panchayats to 60 months, said Chief Minister Siddaramaiah. He directed that the issue be raised in the Congress Legislative Party meeting to bring an amendment and extend their tenure to five years. Speaking at a meeting with Rural Development and Panchayat Raj department officials on Monday, Siddaramaiah said they are going to decide on providing Rs 1 crore to each gram panchayat of Kalyana Karnataka. This will be decided in the next fiscal. They also discussed reducing an additional 800 staff at Karnataka Rural Infrastructure Development Limited (KRIDL).

Gruha Lakshmi launch shifted to help Rahul, says minister

ENS @ Belagavi

"WE have shifted the Gruha Lakshmi launch ceremony from Belagavi to Mysuru, considering Congress leader Rahul Gandhi's convenience," said District Minister Satish Jarkiholi, here on Monday.

"There are other pre-planned programmes for Rahul in Wayanad of Kerala. Because of this, the party president, the chief minister and the high command have taken the decision as it will be convenient for him to attend the events in both states. The decision was taken at the cabinet meeting. The programme is not limited to just one district, but the entire state. I will attend the programme in Mysuru," he said.

Asked about the differences of opinion among Congress leaders in Belagavi, he said there is no groupism in district Congress. "The party does not want leaders who joined BJP after quitting Congress. But there is no objection if they want to come to the party without any conditions. I don't know who is coming to our party. The party president and the chief minister might know."

He said, "There are 100 posts for various boards and corporations. About 50 MLAs will be appointed for 50 posts, while party workers will be appointed for the rest. There are lakhs of Congress workers in the state," he said.

On dividing Belagavi district, he said it is common for people to demand that their town or city should have a separate taluk or district headquarter. "Finally, the government will take a decision on which place should be the taluk or district headquarters. But discussions and debates on this matter should continue," he added.

FIREBRAND NASEER MAKES IT TO CWC

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru

KANHAIYA Kumar enjoys prominence and has been appointed permanent invitee of the Congress Working Committee because of his background as JNU Students' Union president, another union president of the famed university and from Karnataka, Rajya Sabha member Naseer Hussain, too has made it to the top party central committee.

Hussain, the go-to man of AICC president Mallikarjun Kharge, is the only full CWC member from Karnataka other than Kharge. Other two senior leaders BK Hariprasad and Veerappa Moily have been made permanent invitees.

Hussain, who started off as a student leader in Mysuru, virtually manages Kharge's office in Delhi and is often seen in the office late into the evening, meeting party workers from across the nation.

He was in the news recently when he aggressively protested against the farm laws Bill in Parliament and was suspended along with seven others. He was penalised again when he protested against the insurance bill.

Prominent minority leader

Hussain (52) is one of the five prominent leaders from the minority community in Congress. Others are AK Anthony who is in his eighties, Salman Khurshid in his early seventies and Ghulam Ahmed Mir and Tariq Anwar in their sixties. After Jaffer Sharief, there was a minority leadership vacuum that seems to have been filled by Hussain.

Hussain hails from the mineral rich Ballari district and has maintained a clean and intellectual image.

The Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanams (TTD) has been making elaborate arrangements to observe Salakatla and Navaratri Brahmotsavams in a grand manner. While Salakatla Brahmotsavams will be hosted from September 18-26, Navaratri Brahmotsavams will be held from October 15-23. Lakhs of devotees are expected to offer prayers then

BRS in poll mode: List of 115 candidates out

K Chandrashekar Rao announces BRS' candidate list in Hyderabad on Monday

CM KCR to contest from Gajwel & Kamareddy; 7 sitting MLAs replaced with new faces

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Hyderabad

MONTHS before the state is scheduled to go to polls, Telangana Chief Minister and BRS chief K Chandrashekar Rao on Monday released the first list of candidates for 115 out 119 Assembly seats, asserting that his party will win 95-105 of them.

While seven sitting MLAs were replaced with new faces, the party did not announce candidates for Narsapur, Nampally, Goshamahal and Jangaon Assembly segments.

KCR will contest from two constituencies – Gajwel, which he currently represents, and also from Kamareddy. "KCR is strong in Gajwel. He is contesting from Kamareddy only to strengthen the party and see that all the seats in erstwhile Nizamabad district are wrested by BRS," said a party leader.

Meanwhile, the Opposition Congress and BJP said Rao's decision to contest in two seats shows his 'insecurity'.

Announcing the candidates much before the election schedule allows the party time to minimise the damage, if there is any dissidence in any segment, and also gives it a headstart in campaigning. The BRS will be going to the electorate on the plank of development.

In the 2018 elections, the BRS (then TRS) won 88 seats, while Congress bagged 19, AIMIM 7, and the BJP just 1 seat.

'Chandrayaan 3 will be successful, but unknown is unknown'

BALA CHAUHAN
@ Bengaluru

WITH all eyes on Chandrayaan 3, which is scheduled to soft land on the designated site on the Moon's south pole at 18.04 hours IST tomorrow, space scientists say that there is absolutely no doubt that the Lander will land safely, but they caution that Moon missions are no "child's play".

"ISRO has run several simulations and I am sure that we will achieve our mission (of safe landing). Controlling and bringing down the velocity of the Lander; from around 1.69 km per second to one to two meters per second is a very complex maneuver. After the initiation of the last command from the Earth station to lower it to the landing site at around 5.47 pm on August 23, the Lander's final journey will be autonomous. It will be on its own," said former ISRO chairman Madhavan Nair.

"Right now the Lander is still under manual control of ISRO. A set of commands will be initiated at 5.47pm on August 23 after which the autonomous landing system (ALS) will start. Thereafter, we will be mere spectators. There is nothing that can be done from the Earth station thereafter. ISRO has programmed the ALS with a set of possibilities to encounter any perceivable eventuality while landing. While descending the module is assisted by an altimeter, velocity metre and other sensors so as to land at a place that is free from boulders or craters. The removal of energy from the Lander is manifested in the reduction of velocity," said an informed source.

Chandrayaan 3 is designed around 6 Sigma bounds which means the chances of failure are 1 in a million, the source added.

The landing has been timed with sunrise on the Moon's south pole for 14 Earth days. "The calculation of sunrise has been done based on scientific observation of the Moon," he said.

"The Lander Module has an inbuilt 'salvage mode' which will help it land even if everything goes wrong," said Aerospace Scientist Prof Radhakant Padhi, Department of Aerospace & Centre for Cyber Physical Systems, Indian Institute of Science. "A lot of improvements have been incorporated in Chandrayaan-3 after the Chandrayaan-2 failure. We are 99.9% sure that it will land safely," he said.

"All possible deviations and failure modes are addressed, redundancies are provided and the systems under such conditions have been tested many times so this time (in comparison to Chandrayaan 2) confidence level is more . Still, unknown is by definition unknown," said former ISRO scientist and Padma awardee Mylswamy Annadurai.

After fraud, space centre scraps recruitment exam

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ T'Puram

WITH its recruitment exam hit by major fraud, the Vikram Sarabhai Space Centre (VSSC) has cancelled the written test conducted on Sunday.

The exam to the posts of Technician-B, Draughtsman-B and Radiographer-A were cancelled following a report by the Thiruvananthapuram city police pointing out a 'hi-tech fraud' involving a Haryana-based racket. The VSSC, in an official statement, said the revised exam schedule would be informed through its website later.

Meanwhile, the police team probing the exam fraud arrested one more person -- Amit, hailing from Haryana -- on Monday. According to sources, three more Haryana natives are in police custody.

As per the police report, the accused cheated VSSC by impersonating two candidates and using electronic gadgets in the examination. The police had on Sunday arrested two persons who wrote the exams in the names of two applicants -- Sunil and Sumith. The names of the accused who appeared for the exams for Sumith and Sunil are Manoj Kumar and Gautham Chauhan, respectively. The accused had reached the state by flight and were planning to return by air after the exam.

How they cheated

- Two persons impersonated candidates in the exam
- Perpetrators had procured 'exam cheating kits' via online
- They captured images of question papers using cameras discreetly attached to their belts
- These images were then transmitted to external accomplices who relayed answers through a concealed Bluetooth earphone

The police said the accused are part of a large racket centred around a coaching centre in Haryana. They collect large sums from job aspirants, after promising jobs at VSSC and other allied institutions. The racket has a special team to impersonate candidates in various competitive exams, the police said.

"We have contacted the Haryana police and they will coordinate the probe in that state. We suspect more people are involved in the fraud, " said Ajith V, Deputy Commissioner of Police, Thiruvananthapuram.

Manoj Kumar and Gautham Chauhan were taken into custody from two different exam centres while engaged in cheating using smart watches, bluetooth headsets, and mobile phones.

The police had prior information about job aspirants from Haryana attempting to cheat, and the matter was conveyed to invigilators. The precaution paid off as the two were caught red-handed. The police said Manoj Kumar was nabbed from the exam centre at St Mary's School, Pattom, while Gautham Chauhan was apprehended from Cotton Hill School, Vazhuthacaud.

NUTRITIOUS MEAL

Mysuru district minister Dr HC Mahadevappa launches a programme to distribute eggs and bananas for Classes 1 to 10 government school students in Mysuru on Monday | UDAYASHANKAR S

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STRAY DOGS ATTACK 5 TOURISTS NEAR BRINDAVAN GARDENS

MYSURU: Five tourists were bitten by stray dogs on Sunday evening near at Brindavan Gardens near the north gate of KRS Dam. Two of them have sustained severe bite injuries who were shifted to the Mysuru KR Hospital. The injured are Anil from Ramanagar and four others from Bengaluru. Cauvery Neeravari Nigama Limited (CNNL) staff and security guards rushed to the spot and chased the dogs away Some tourists demanded a reimbursement of their ticket money after the incident, which led to a verbal argument. KRS Dam security in-charge Shashikala brought the situation under control, and later the entry of tourists was banned. CNNL executive engineer Venugopal told the tourists to visit the gardens Monday. Health officer Dr Shivaswamy and taluk health officer Dr Maruthi along with a health team visited the gardens Monday. The officers said that they have not found any symptoms of rabies in the dogs and the tourists need not worry. ENS

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Mylswamy Annadurai, former ISRO scientist

16-year-old kills man for refusing to share booze

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Chennai

ENRAGED by the refusal of an old man to share a bottle of liquor with him, a 16-year-old boy slashed his neck with a blade killing him on the spot in broad daylight at Periya Kancheepuram near Chennai on Monday. While the minor boy was sent to a juvenile home, police have not yet identified the victim who is suspected to be a beggar.

The police said the boy discontinued his studies a few years ago and was a drug addict. According to sources, the boy's father died a few years ago and he lived with his mother who is a daily-wage labourer. The Sivakanchi police have registered a case and are investigating the case.

According to the police, on Sunday evening, as the boy was walking on the pavement at Periya Kancheepuram town, he saw the elderly man with the liquor bottle.

Quoting witnesses, the police said the yet-to-be identified man used to buy liquor with the money he got by seeking alms. When the boy saw the liquor bottle, he asked the man to share it with him.

When the old man refused, an argument broke out between them. This led to a scuffle, and the boy allegedly slashed his neck with a blade he had with him and fled. Passersby rescued the man and rushed him to a hospital but he was declared brought dead.

The police used CCTV camera footage to identify the boy. After inquiry, the boy was sent to a juvenile home in Kancheepuram.

Mahatma Gandhi statue vandalised in Holehonnur

The vandalised statue of Mahatma Gandhi at Holehonnur in Shivamogga taluk on Mondayy | EXPRESS

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Shivamogga

A statue of Mahatma Gandhi was vandalised in Holehonnur in Shivamogga taluk in the wee hours of Monday. The police have registered a case and formed three teams to trace the accused involved in the incident. The incident came to light on Monday morning after residents informed the police.

According to informed sources, the incident occurred at around 1.30am, when the miscreants, suspected to be bike-borne, reached the circle and vandalised the state. As news of the incident spread, residents gathered at the circle and staged a protest. They demanded the arrest of the accused. They also briefly blocked the road before the police pacified them.

Holehonnur police visited the spot. SP Mithun Kumar and MP BY Raghavendra visited the spot and gathered information from the police and residents. Raghavendra instructed the police to apprehend the accused and was informed that suspects had been taken into custody. Residents demanded that another bronze statue of Mahatma Gandhi be installed at the spot.

CM Siddaramaiah termed the act as "anti-national" and assured that action would be taken against the accused. "I condemn the anti-national act of vandalism of Gandhi's statue in Holehonnur. Those who do not have respect for the independence struggle, the Constitution, and the law engage in such acts. Whoever is behind this incident will be punished according to the law," the CM tweeted. He also urged the people not to take the law into their own hands but to cooperate in maintaining peace, law and order.

KSRTC bus crashes into Gen Thimayya statue

ENS @ Madikeri

THE iconic statue of General KS Thimayya was damaged after a speeding KSRTC bus, while trying to avoid a pickup vehicle, lost control and smashed into the statue Monday morning.

The statue, installed 50 years ago at the entrance of the city, was unveiled by Field Marshal Sam Manekshaw. The statue has now been shifted to General Thimayya Museum.

The bus windshield was shattered in the impact of the collision, and the conductor was thrown out of the vehicle. Morning walkers rushed to the spot and shifted conductor Puttaswamy to a hospital. DySP Sundar Raj, CI Anoop Madappa and others visited the spot, and took the bus driver, Kottre Gowda (36) into custody. He has been booked under sections 279 and 427 for negligent driving and damaging public property.

The accident has left the statue with five holes and a damaged left hand. CMC president Anita Poovaiah said a meeting will be held with the DC and the General Thimayya & FM KM Cariappa Forum regarding statue reinstallation. "We are trying to draw up an estimation and all departments will work together," she added.

The damaged General KS Thimayya statue being shifted to General Thimayya Museum in Madikeri on Monday | EXPRESS

A lunar dream dashed in 2019 when lander crashed

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ON September 7, 2019, MOX lost contact with the Chandrayaan 2 lander (also named Vikram) with just two km to descend and land near the lunar south pole. The lander crashed due to a software anomaly during the final moments of landing. However, the Pradhan orbiter of Chandrayaan 2 mission, launched on July 22, 2019, continues in its 100km x 100km to orbit around the Moon to this day.

In March 2022, Chandrayaan 2 orbiter's Chandra's Atmospheric Composition Explorer 2 (CHACE-2) payload provided first-time insights into the dynamics of the lunar exosphere and on activities of gases emerging through radioactive decay from the first few tens of metres below the lunar surface. It discovered the Moon-wide spread of one of the noble gases Argon-40 (Ar-40) to study the lunar exosphere as well as the surface from where this gas is understood to have escaped. The importance of Chandrayaan 2's CHACE-2 observations was that although NASA's Apollo 17 (last of the manned lunar missions in 1972) and a robotic mission, Lunar Atmosphere and Dust Environment Explorer (LADEE), in 2013-14 detected the presence of Ar-40 in the lunar exosphere, the measurements were confined to the near-equatorial region of the Moon. It had remained a gap area to study the pan-lunar dynamics of Moon's exosphere — a temperature-driven process — which Chandrayaan 2 orbiter filled.

Also, in October 2022, the Chandrayaan 2 Large Area Soft X-ray Spectrometer (CLASS) on board the orbiter provided clean signatures of sodium line, thanks to its high sensitivity and performance. The study found that a part of the signal could be arising from a thin veneer of sodium atoms weakly bound to the lunar grains.

The rock and soil samples that Apollo 11 astronauts brought back to Earth in 1969 showed that regions on the lunar surface are mainly composed of silicate minerals, including sodium. But the findings from Chandrayaan 2 took the data forward by mapping the abundance of sodium on the lunar atmosphere and surface.

Happy with Tejas, but eyeing its advanced version, says Navy chief

SUBHASH CHANDRA NS
@ Karwar

THE Indian Navy is happy with the indigenous Tejas aircraft, but is eyeing its advanced version -- the Twin Engine Deck Based Fighter, which is still under the development stage, said Chief of Naval Staff, Admiral R Hari Kumar, in an exclusive interview with *The New Indian Express*.

"Tejas is a very good aircraft. It has been doing well. We bought a few prototypes and they are operating well. We invested in it and it has proved its worth. We are now looking for TEDBF It has to be made as it suits the Indian Navy requirement," he said.

TEDBF is a naval version aircraft, being developed by Hindustan Aeronautical Ltd. The Navy has said 45 of these aircraft will be operating by 2040. The prototypes will be ready by 2026 and the production is likely to begin by 2031-32. The 26-tonne class aircraft, powered by GE-414 engine will have specifications like foldable wings and is likely to replace MiG 29s.

Asked about the aircraft for the newly commissioned INS Vikrant, Adm Kumar said the aircraft carrier will have MiG 29s at present, but will soon be hosting Rafales, which will be coming soon.

Adm Kumar, who was in Karwar to inaugurate a housing complex in the INS Kadamba Naval Base, said, "It (Karwar) is a smart naval base. It is a very significant one considering the security aspect. Karwar's economy will prosper as and when the Seabird Naval base develops. The region will get investments as there will be many defence ancillary units waiting to set up shop. There will be investments in ship building and maintenance. Units contributing to weapon systems will come up soon. The employment opportunity will be more for the locals. There will be more schools, hospitals and shopping areas. Money transactions will begin soon, "he said.

Chief of Naval Staff Admiral R Hari Kumar at Karwar Naval Base on Monday

He inaugurated two residential buildings comprising 600 flats at Amadhalli and Arga Naval Base each in the presence of a large number of families of naval personnel and defence civilians.

Adm Kumar praised Project Seabird's efforts in creating high-quality defence infrastructure and urged expeditious completion of remaining facilities.

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With reference to the **Auction Notice of Mr. Abrarul Haque S/o Naseemul ghani** published in this Newspaper on **19.08.2023,** Page No.16, under **Description of the Immovable property,** Residential **3 BHK** flat bearing No. FF-10 to be corrected to read as **2 BHK.** All other matters remain the same.

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Yelahanka Branch : #293,2nd Floor, Smk Complex,Ist Main Road, Chikkabommasandra Circle,Yelahanka New Town, Bangalore-560064,(KA).

DEMAND NOTICE

Under Section 13(2) of the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets And Enforcement Of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with Rule 3 (1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002. The undersigned is the Authorised Officer of Aadhar Housing Finance Ltd.(AHFL) under Securitisation And Reconstruction Of Financial Assets And Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (the said Act). In exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(12) of the said Act read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, the Authorised Officer has issued Demand Notices under section 13(2) of the said Act, calling upon the following Borrower(s) (the "said Borrower(s)"), to repay the amounts mentioned in the respective Demand Notice(s) issued to them that are also given below. In connection with above, Notice is hereby given, once again, to the said Borrower(s)to pay to AHFL, within 60 days from the publication of this Notice, the amounts indicated herein below, together with further interest as detailed in the said Demand Notice(s), from the date(s) mentioned below till the date of payment and/or realization, payable under the loan agreement read with other documents/writings, if any, executed by the said Borrower(s). As security for due repayment of the loan, the following assets have been mortgaged to AHFL by the said Borrower(s) respectively.

Sl No.	Name of the Borrower(s) / Co-Borrower / Guarantor (s)	Demand Notice Date and Amount	Description of the Immovable property
1.	(Loan Code : **33410000013** **Doddaballapur Branch)** **Anandkumar H K** (Borrower) **Netharavathi A S** (Co Borrower)	**11-08 -2023** **₹ 6,84,531.00**	NA NA 73/1A NA NA Hodanahalli Village Site No. 73 DodBallapur, Bengaluru Rural-561203, Karnataka.
2.	(Loan Code : **21400001101** **Kr Puram Branch)** **Muniyamma M** (Borrower) **Sandeep C M** (Co Borrower)	**11-08 -2023** **₹ 16,62,419.00**	NA Site No 12 13 Cheemandahalli Doddagett iganabbi Village Chemandahalli Gp - 562114, Bengaluru , KARNATAKA.
3.	(Loan Code : **21500000968** **Yelahanka Branch)** **Anu Sujith** (Borrower) **Sujith Kumar P G** (Co Borrower)	**11-08 -2023** **₹ 17,29,913.00**	SY NO 130 P 36 No 38 Sy No 130 p 36 Byalakere Village B yalakere Near Essar Petrol Bunk , Bengaluru - 560090, KARNATAKA.

If the said Borrowers shall fail to make payment to AHFL as aforesaid, AHFL shall proceed against the above secured assets under Section 13(4) of the Act and the applicable Rules, entirely at the risks of the said Borrowers as to the costs and consequences. The said Borrowers are prohibited under the Act from transferring the aforesaid assets, whether by way of sale, lease or otherwise without the prior written consent of AHFL. Any person who contravenes or abets contravention of the provisions of the said Act or Rules made there under, shall be liable for imprisonment and/or penalty as provided under the Act.

Place : Doddaballapur, Kr Puram, and Yelahanka
Date : 22.08.2023

Authorised Officer
Aadhar Housing Finance Limited

Estd:1916

THE BHAVASARA KSHATRIYACO-OPERATIVE BANK LIMITED

Head Office: "Sahakara Sadana", No.63/67, 24th Cross, Kilari Road, Bengaluru-560 053, Phone: 080-22972781/82

AUCTION SALE NOTICE

NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY ISSUED UNDER THE SECURITISATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT 2002

The undersigned being the Authorised Officer of The Bhavasara Kshatriya Co-Operative Bank Limited Bangalore had taken possession of the house properties described hereunder mortgaged to the Bank by way of security for repayment of immovable Property Loan availed by the respective borrowers mentioned here below, Notice of Auction of the secured assets is hereby given to the borrowers in particular and the public in general, under Rules 8 & 9 of Security interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002.

Details of the borrower, property, reserve price, etc, are as below

Sl No.	Borrower/s Name Branch Name	Property Address	Reserve Price & Amount Due to Bank	Public Auction Date, Time & Place
HEAD OFFICE BRANCH				
1	Smt.S.Sathyaprema, Sri.Nitish Srinivas, Sri.Vishal Srivastav, All residing at No. 81, 9th Main Road, Wilson Garden, Bengaluru-560 030.	All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing municipal No.5/1, Old No.81, First Floor portion, 9th Main Road, Lakkasandra Extension, Wilson Garden, Bengaluru-560 030, PID No. 62-19-5/1, including a 1/3 undivided share in the land and the entire property, within the area Measuring: East to West: 32 feet North to South : 39 feet , Bounded on the: East by : Site No.80, West by : Site No.82, North by : Site No.90, South by : Road.	Reserve Price ₹ 66,46,000.00 Amount Due as on 06.10.2023 is ₹ 33,51,667/-	06.10.2023 at 11.30 am at premises immovable property No.5/1, Old No.81, First Floor portion, 9th Main Road, Lakkasandra Extension, Wilson Garden, Bengaluru-560 030.
2	Smt.K.Rathnamma , Sri.M.Manjunath, Sri.M.Vinod, All residing at No.9, 3rd Main Road, Agrahara Dasarahalli, Industrial Area, Magadi Road Cross, Bengaluru-560 079.	All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing No.9, Old No.20/1, 3rd Main Road, Agrahara Dasarahalli, Bengaluru (earlier site No. 44 formed out of Sy. No.9, Agrahara Dasarahalli Village) presently coming under the jurisdiction of BBMP Ward No.106 of Dr. Rajkumar Ward, with PID No.21-79-9 within the area Measuring: East to West :30 feet, North to South: 40 feet Bounded on the East by : Private property, West by : Property No.52, North by : Road, South by: Property No.51.	Reserve Price ₹ 78,51,000.00 Amount Due as on 26.09.2023 is ₹ 77,62,091/-	26.09.2023 at 11.30 am at premises immovable property No.9, Old No.20/1, 3rd Main Road, Agrahara Dasarahalli, Bengaluru (earlier site No.44 formed out of Sy. No.9, Agrahara Dasarahalli Village).

Place of Auction: At the places mentioned in column no. 5
Date of Auction: As per details in column No.5 above and 'AS IS WHERE IS CONDITION'
Terms and Conditions:

1. To participate in the Auction, the intending bidders have to deposit a sum of Rs.25000-00 by way of DD as EMD favoring The Bhavasara Kshatriya Co-Operative Bank Limited, Bengalore payable at Bangelore on the date of Auction before 10.30am.
2. The successful bidder should pay 25% of the bid amount immediately on the same day and the balance of 75% within 15 days in single installment by way of DD as stated above. If the successful bidder defaults in effecting payment or fails to adhere to the terms of sale in any manner, the amount already deposited will be forfeited and he/she shall not have any claim on such forfeited amount.
3. All other liabilities charges and expenses like legal charges, stamp duty, registration fee/cost etc. shall be borne by the purchaser only.
4. On receipt of the entire bid amount and on confirmation of sale the undersinged shall issue a Certificate of Sale in favor of the purchaser in the form given in the aforesaid Act.
5. The deposit of the unsuccessful bidders would be returned without interest immediately on conclusion of the Auction.
6. The Undesigned shall have powers to include or exclude or accept or reject bids or postpone/ cancel the Auction without assigning any reason thereof including addition or deletion of other terms.
7. For inspection of the property and other particulars the intending bidders may contact the undersigned at Head Office during office hours between 10.00 AM and 5.00PM.
8. For further details contact The Assistant Manager of the Bank.

Place: Bengaluru
Date:18.08.2023

Sd/- Authorised Officer
The Bhavasara Kshatriya Co-operative Bank Ltd., Bengaluru

THE KARUR VYSYA BANK LTD

ASSET RECOVERY BRANCH
Divisional Office Building, No.6, Shri Vasavi Temple Road, Near Sajjan Rao Circle, V V Puram, Bangalore - 560004

SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, **The Karur Vysya Bank Ltd,** the constructive/physical (whichever is applicable) possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of **The Karur Vysya Bank Ltd.,** Secured Creditor, will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is",** and **"Whatever there is"** on **25.09.2023,** for recovery of **Rs. 39,30,514.91/-** (Rupees Thirty Nine Lakhs Thirty Thousand Five Hundred Fourteen and Paisa Nine One only) due to **"The Karur Vysya Bank Ltd",** Secured Creditor from **(1) Mr. Mohammed Aslam S/o Mr. Mohammed Osman, Represented by GPA Holder-Mohammed Osman** Residing at Flat No. 10, Building No. 6384 Riyadh – 42656, Saudi Arabia **(2) Mr. Mohammed Osman (Guarantor)** S/o. Mohammed Haneef, Residing at No. 405, Manga Enclave, A. T. Agraharam, 4th Lane, Guntur, Andhra Pradesh-522 004 **(3) Mrs. Azmatuniss (Guarantor)** W/o. Aslam Mohammed Residing at No. 405, Manga Enclave, A. T. Agraharam, 4th Lane, Guntur, Andhra Pradesh-522 004. **The reserve price will be Rs. 55,00,000/-(Rupees Fifty Five Lakhs only) and the earnest money deposit will be Rs. 5,50,000/- (Rupees Five Lakhs and Fifty Thousand only)**

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the residential vacant site bearing No. 158, Khatha No. 162, measuring East to West 85 feet and North to South 45 feet, admeasuring 3825 sqft formed in converted land in Sy No. 183 as per orders dated 15.09.2008 passed by the Special Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore vide Order No ALN (A) (K) S.R 44/2008-09, wherein an approval has been accorded by the BMRDA vide its Sanction Letter bearing No. LAO 56/2008-09 dated 28.01.2009 situated at Thattanahalli Village, Kasaba Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bnaglore Rural District; Bounded on: East By: Sy No 184, West By: Site No. 157, North By: Site No. 149 and South By: Road.

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided in our Bank's/ Secured Creditor's website i.e **www.kvb.co.in/Property** Under Auction also at the web portal **BankAuctions.in/ForeclosureIndia.com** of the service provider, **M/s. 4 closure.**

Statutory 30 Days' Notice under Rule 9(1) of the SARFAESI Act, 2002

The borrower/s and guarantor/s are hereby notified to pay the dues as mentioned above along with up to date interest and ancillary expenses before the date of e-Auction, failing which the Schedule property will be auctioned/sold and balance dues, if any, will be recovered with interest and cost.

Date : 21.08.2023
Place: Bangalore

Sd/- Authorized Officer
THE KARUR VYSYA BANK LIMITED

यूनियन बैंक Union Bank of India

Electronic City Branch
60/4, Ground Floor, Opp to Infosys, Koanappana Agrahara, Electronic City, Bangalore-560100, 080-22959714, ubin0813982@unionbankofindia.bank_

Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Property

E-Auction Sale Notice for 15 days Sale of immovable Assets under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rule, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the symbolic possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of **Union Bank of India** (secured Creditor) will be sold on **" As is where is", " As is what is " and " whatever there is"** on the date mentioned below, for recovery of dues as mentioned hereunder to **Union bank of India** from the below mentioned Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s). The Reserve Price and the Earnest Money Deposit are also mentioned hereunder:

Name and address of the Secured Creditor : Union Bank of India, Electronic City Branch, 60/4, Ground Floor, Opp to Infosys, Koanappana Agrahara, Electronic City, Bangalore-560100.

Name and address of the Borrower, Co-Applicant and Guarantor: Borrowers: Hemshankar kanth, Flat No.305, 2nd Floor, "AK. Pride Apartment"2nd Cross, Near Sampige nagar cross, Dhruva dharna Layout, Anantha Nagar, Kammasandra (V), Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore-560100.

Amount due: Amount due: Rs.23,84,909.70 (Rupees Twenty Three Lakhs, Eighty Four Thousand Nine Hundred Nine and Seventy Paise Only) together with future interest from **31.07.2023** and legal / other expenses.

Description of immovable secured assets to be Sold : All that piece and parcel of the residential apartment bearing no. 305, 2nd floor, A.K. Pride apartment situated at site No.s 28 & 29, Katha No.s. 2353/2288 & 2352/2287, Sy. No. 23, Kammasandra Village, Attibele, Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore and apartment measuring 975 Sq.Ft of built up area and 208 Sq.Ft of proportionate share in common areas and totally measuring 975 Sq. Ft of super built up area and undivided share 208 Sq. ft. bounded on : EAST BY : Passage, WEST BY : Open To Sky, NORTH BY : Open To Sky, SOUTH BY : Flat No.304.

Date and time of E-Auction: 12.09.2023 from 11 AM to 4 P.M. (with 10 min unlimited auto extensions) E-auction website-www.mstcecommerce.com.
Last date for submission of EMD : On or before 12.09.2023 the commencement of eAuction
Reserve price: Rs. 25,92,000/- Lakhs
Earnest Money to be Deposited: Rs.2,59,200/- Lakhs

For Detailed terms and condition of the sale, please refer to the link provided in **(1) https://www.ibapi.in (2) www.unionbankofindia.co.in**
The intending purchaser require to register through :
https://www.mstcecommerce.com/auctionhome/ibapi/index.jsp
The online E-auction will be held through website: **sarfaesi@unionbankofindia.com.**
For E-auction Related queries Please contact : 7702541323

Date : 21.08.2023
Place: Bengaluru

Sd/- Authorised Officer
Union Bank of India.

IDBI BANK

CIN:L65190MH2004GOI148838
Retail Recovery, Bengaluru Zonal Office, # 3rd Floor, IDBI House, 58 Mission Road, Bengaluru – 560027. Ph 080-61451322 Email:- recovery.bengaluru@idbi.co.in

POSSESSION NOTICE

Under Rule 8 (1)

A/c No: 1084675100003810

Whereas, the Undersigned being the Authorized Officer of the IDBI Bank Limited under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (54 of 2002) and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(12) read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued a Demand Notice dated 26.05.2023 calling upon the borrowers **Mr.Rajanna J and Mrs. Umadevi** to repay the amount mentioned in the Demand notice being **Rs.17,05,635/-** (Rupees Seventeen Lakhs Five Thousand Six hundred and Thirty Five Only) as on 16/05/2023 plus further interest and charges thereon within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said Notice.

The borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned have taken Physical Possession of the Property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under sub-section (4) of section 13 of Act read with rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on this the **16 day of August, 2023.**

The borrower in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the Property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the IDBI Bank Limited, for an amount of **Rs.17,05,635/-** (Rupees Seventeen Lakhs Five Thousand Six hundred and Thirty Five Only) as on 16/05/2023 plus further interest and charges thereon.

The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY

Schedule 'A' Property : All the part and parcel of the Residential site bearing BBMP Khatha no 625/2/5/4& 6, Old Khata No 635/5, carved out of Residentially Converted(Vide Conversion order bearing No ALN(SU)SR 135/11-12 dated 16.05.2012) Land in Sy No 5 situated at Subramanyapura, earlier Marasandra Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, measuring Item no 1) East to West on the Northern side 31 feet, on the Southern side 34.5 feet and North to South 40.05 feet totally measuring 1326 sq ft, Item no 2) East to West on the Northern side 65 feet, on the Southern Side 75 feet and North to South 118 feet totally measuring 8260 Sq ft Item Nos 1 & 2 both abutting lands together totally measuring 9584 Sqft or 8.8 Guntas, and bounded on the: East by: Private Property West by: Road and Site no 5 North by: Road and site no 3 South by: Property belonging to Smt Mamatha Ravikumar,

SCHEDULE B PROPERTY : All the piece and parcel of 340 sq ft of undivided share, right, title and interest in the Schedule 'A' property.

SCHEDULE C PROPERTY : (Description of the entire site owned by the Borrowers}. : All the piece and parcel of the 2BHKResidential Apartment bearing Flat No.GF-004 situated at Ground Floor measuring 1240 Sq.ft of super built up area constructed on the Schedule "A" Property apartment known as "S.V.ELEGENCE" with walls constructed with cement and cement solid bricks, RCC roofing, Vitrified Tiles Flooring,, Honne Wood Doors and Frames, steel Windows and with all civic amenities and one closed car parking in the stilt floor and property share in the common areas, entrances, staircases, passages, corridors lifts etc., provided in the schedule "A", property and bounded on the: East by : Road, West by : Flat No.GF-003, North by: Lobby and South by : Property belonging to Smt.Mamatha Ravikumar.

Date : 16.08.2023
Place : Bengaluru

Sd/- Authorised Officer
IDBI Bank Limited

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SOUTH WESTERN RAILWAY

Corrigendum-6 to e-Tender Notice No. CAO/CN/BNC/100/2022 Dated: 26-10-2022

Item of work	Approx. Value
Construction of Electrified New Broad Gauage Line Track between Malugur (CH:0.000) to Palasamudram (Ch:17180.000) including Signalling Telecommunication & Electrical works (17.18 Km). **(Tender Ref. No: MLU-PALASAMUDRAM-EPC-01)**	Rs. 2,32,05,30,000/-

Date of Closing	
Existing	**Revised**
21-09-2023 (15:00 Hrs)	**04-10-2023 (15:00 Hrs)**

For details log on: www.ireps.gov.in

Deputy Chief Engineer/Works/Construction
Bengaluru Cantonment
PUB/311/AAD/PRB/SWR/2023-24
S.W.Railways SWRRLY SWRRLY

LOST

Lost. I, Rajendran Pachayappan have lost my original Sale deed documents Situated in Zuzuvadi Village of Hosur Taluk, Krishnagiri dist. DOC NO: 5443/2014, Syl No: 408/1C Area Extend Hec 0.11.0 (AC 0.27 Cents) (SRO Hosur) While Some Personal work in Chikkabalapura on 26/7/23. Case Registered No: 0669146/ 2023. Finder Please Contact or Return to This Address. Rajendran Pachayappan Do/No: 3/823, Bharathi Nagar, 10th Cross, Arasanatti, Hosur, Mookondapalli, Krishnagiri. Phone: 9894471618.

TENDER NOTIFICATION

Asset Disposal by a leading IT company in Bengaluru

Interested vendors can contact the below mentioned person for inspection of assets and submission of quotes.

Quotes need to be submitted within 7 days from the date of publication of the advertisement.

All Assets will be sold in as-is-where-is condition.

Interested buyers need to submit a DD for Rs. 2 Lakhs as "Earnest Money Deposit", along with the quote.

For site visit and asset details contact
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इंडियन बैंक Indian Bank

Kasturi Nagar Branch
Address: New Horizone College, 3rd A Main , 2nd Cross Rd, East of NGEF Layout, Kasturi Nagar, Bengaluru,560043, Karnataka

PUBLICATION DEMAND NOTICE

Notice under Sec. 13 (2) of The Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002
Sent on 18.08.2023 **by Regd. to .....**

1) Mrs. E. V Lalitha, Sole proprietor of M/s. Sri Venkateshwara industries. No.25, KS Halli Road, Near Teachers Law College, Medehalli, Bangalore. **2.Sanjeev Kumar B.H (Guarantor)** No.373, 6th Main,1St Cross, NGEF Layout, Bangalore 560038 Mobile Number : 9900566831/ 080-25280819.**3.Mrs. Latha Sanjeev (Guarantor)**No.204, SuyamunSadanandaNagar, 8th Main Road, NGEF Layout, Bangalore - 560038.Mobile Number : 9900547942. **4. Mr.M V Hanumantha Rao (Guarantor)** No.373, 6th Main,1St Cross,NGEF Layout, Bangalore 560038 Mobile Number : 9900566831/ 080-25280819.

SUB:Your loan account/s a)838126023 OD Secured, b)6721356115- OD Contractor with Indian Bank Kasturi Nagar branch - Reg

You committed default in repayment of loans to the tune of **Rs.2,86,03,078/- (Rupees Two Crore Eighty Six Lakh Three Thousandand Seventy Eight only)**together with further interest from this date till date of payment. The Bank issued notice under the Act on **18.08.2023** calling upon you to repay the outstanding amount of **Rs.2,86,03,078/- (Rupees Two Crore Eighty Six Lakh Three Thousand and Seventy Eight only)** together with further interest from this date till date of payment . The notice was sent to you by Regd. post has been returned unserved.

You are called upon to pay **Rs.2,86,03,078/- (Rupees Two Crore Eighty Six LakhThree Thousandand Seventy Eight only)**together with further interest from this date till date of payment. within 60 days from the date of this notice failing which Bank will be constrained to exercise its rights of enforcement of security interest as against the secured assets given in the schedule hereunder.

*****This Notice is without prejudice to any other remedy available to the Bank - including its right to proceed with the proceedings presently pending before DRT/RO of DRT/DRAT/Court and proceed with the execution of order/decree obtained/to be obtained.

SCHEDULE

The specific details of the assets in which security interest is created are enumerated hereunder:

Mortgaged Assets:PROPERTY-1: All that piece & parcel of the immovable property bearing survey no, 151/1B, situated at Mallur Village, Mallur taluk, KasabeHobli, Kolar District, presently within the limits of Kolar town planning Authority. Measuring 2 acres 22 ½ guntas belongs to Mrs. E V Lalitha East By: Sy. No.144,West By: Sy. No.152 and 150,North By: Sy. No.143 and Road,South by: Remaining portion of same property

PROPERTY-2:Item - 1: All that piece and parcel of the property bearing Survey no. 71/4 dry land, 0-10 Guntas divided into 0-6 Guntas total measuring 0-16 Guntas located at Maloor road, Behind Petrol Bunk, Malooru Taluk, Kasabahubli, chokkandahalli village, kolar District, Karnataka belongs to Mr. Hanumatharao bounded by East by: Y Krishnappa and site no. 72,West by: C.T Muniyappa Site, North by: C.T Hanumanthappa Site,South by: Munivenkattapa and site no. 72.

Item - 2: All that piece and parcel of the property bearing Survey no. 72.2 Acres 07 Guntas located at Maloor road, Behind petrol Bunk, Maloor Taluk, KasabaHubli, ChokkandaHalli village, Kolar District, Karnataka, belongs to Mr. Hanumatharao bounded by:East by: Maloor Large lake ,West By: Munivenkattapa site,North by: canal and y Krishnappa site,South by: Munivenkattapa site

Item - 3: All that piece and parcel of the property bearing Survey no. 71/1, 0-24 Guntas dry land located at Maloor road, Behind petrol Bunk, Maloor Taluk, KasabaHubli, ChokkandaHalli village, Kolar District, Karnataka, belongs to Mr. Hanumatharao bounded by:East by: Nomminal LandWest By: Meena Site, North by: GullanariMuniyappa Site,South by: Subrayappa site.

Sd/-Authorised Officer,
Indian Bank

इंडियन बैंक Indian Bank

Kasturi Nagar Branch
Address: New Horizone College, 3rd A Main , 2nd Cross Rd, East of NGEF Layout, Kasturi Nagar, Bengaluru,560043, Karnataka

PUBLICATION DEMAND NOTICE

Notice under Sec. 13 (2) of The Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002
Sent on 03.08.2023 **by Regd. to .....**

1) M/s SLS Constructions Pvt. Ltd. (Borrower) No. 373, 6th main road, 1st cross, NGEF Layout, Sadananda Nagar, Bangalore-560038.**2.Mr. B.H Sanjeev Kumar(Guarantor)** No. 373, 6th main road, 1st cross, NGEF Layout, Sadananda Nagar, Bangalore-560038.**3.Mrs. Latha Sanjeev (Guarantor)** No. 373, 6th main road, 1st cross,NGEF Layout, Sadananda Nagar, Bangalore-560038.**4.Mrs. E. V Lalitha (Guarantor)** NO.282, Sai Prasad, 1st Floor, 5Th Main road, NGEF Layout, SadanandaNagar, Bangalore 560038.Mobile Number:9900547946.5.Mr.M V Hanumantha Rao(Guarantor) No.373, 6th Main,1St Cross, NGEF Layout, Bangalore 560038 Mobile Number: 9900566831/ 080-25280819.

SUB:Your loan account/s OD 6209236506 &OD6609035225 with Indian Bank, Kasturinagar branch Reg.

You committed default in repayment of loans to the tune of **Rs.2,91,93,8210/-** together with interest from this date till date of payment. The Bank issued notice under the Act on **03.08.2023** calling upon you to repay the outstanding amount of **Rs.2,91,93,8210/-** together with interest from this date till date of payment . The notice was sent to you by Regd. post has been returned unserved. You are called upon to pay **Rs.2,91,93,8210/-** together with interest from this date till date of payment. within 60 days from the date of this notice failing which Bank will be constrained to exercise its rights of enforcement of security interest as against the secured assets given in the schedule hereunder. *****This Notice is without prejudice to any other remedy available to the Bank - including its right to proceed with the proceedings presently pending before DRT/RO of DRT/DRAT/Court and proceed with the execution of order/decree obtained/to be obtained.

SCHEDULE

The specific details of the assets in which security interest is created are enumerated hereunder:

Mortgaged Assets: All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing The repayment of the said loans are secured by mortgage/hypothecation of property(ies) at

PROPERTY-1: All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing entire second floor portion of apartment no. 003, on the ground floor formed in the site no. 282, residential building known as "SRI SAI PRASAD" measuring super built up area of 1475 sqft with 450 sqft undivided share situated at Benniganahalli village, KR Puram Hobli Bangalore East Taluk in BBMPPID no. 84-65-282 property belongs to MR. SANJEEV KUMAR B H.East By: Road,West By: Site no.250,North By: Site No.322, South by: Site No.189.

PROPERTY-2: All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing entire ground floor portion of apartment no. 001, on the ground floor formed in the site no. 282, residential building known as "SRI SAI PRASAD" measuring super built up area of 1475 sqft with 450 sqft undivided share situated at Benniganahalli village, KR Puram Hobli Bangalore East Taluk in BBMPPID no. 84-65-282 property belongs to MR. SANJEEV KUMAR B H.East By: Road,West By: Site no.250,North By: Site No.322,South by: Site No.189

PROPERTY-3: All that piece & parcel of the immovable property bearing survey no. 151/1B, situated at Mallur Village, Mallur taluk, KasabeHobli, Kolar District, presently within the limits of Kolar town planning Authority. Measuring 2 acres 22 ½ guntas belongs to Mrs. E V Lalitha East By: Sy. No.144,West By: Sy. No.152 and 150,North By: Sy. No.143 and Road,South by: Remaining portion of same property

PROPERTY-4:Item - 1: All that piece and parcel of the property bearing Survey no. 71/4 dry land, 0-10 Guntas divided into 0-6 Guntas total measuring 0-16 Guntas located at Maloor road, Behind Petrol Bunk, Malooru Taluk, Kasabahubli, chokkandahalli village, kolar District, Karnataka belongs to Mr. Hanumatha rao bounded by East by: Y Krishnappa and site no. 72,West by: C.T Muniyappa Site, North by: C.T Hanumanthappa Site,South by: Munivenkattapa and site no. 72

Item - 2: All that piece and parcel of the property bearing Survey no. 72.2 Acres 07 Guntas located at Maloor road, Behind petrol Bunk, Maloor Taluk, KasabaHubli, ChokkandaHalli village, Kolar District, Karnataka, belongs to Mr. Hanumatharao bounded by: East by: Maloor Large lake West By: Munivenkattapa site,North by: canal and y Krishnappa site,South by: Munivenkattapa site

Item - 3: All that piece and parcel of the property bearing Survey no. 71/1, 0-24 Guntas dry land located at Maloor road, Behind petrol Bunk, Maloor Taluk, KasabaHubli, ChokkandaHalli village, Kolar District, Karnataka, belongs to Mr. Hanumatharao bounded by: East by: Nomminal Land,West By: Meena Site, North by: GullanariMuniyappa Site.South by: Subrayappa site.

Sd/-Authorised Officer, Indian Bank

IDBI BANK

CIN:L65190MH2004GOI148838
Retail Recovery, Bengaluru Zonal Office, # 3rd Floor, IDBI House, 58 Mission Road, Bengaluru – 560027. Ph 080-61451322 Email:- recovery.bengaluru@idbi.co.in

POSSESSION NOTICE

Under Rule 8 (1)

A/c No: 1140675100005661 & 1084675100005913

Whereas, the Undersigned being the Authorized Officer of the IDBI Bank Limited under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (54 of 2002) and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(12) read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued a Demand Notice dated 26.05.2023 calling upon the borrowers **Shri Santosh Kumar M.K & Smt Sangeeta Kempannanavar** to repay the amount mentioned in the Demand notice being **Rs.19,75,599/-** (Rupees Nineteen Lakhs Seventy Five Thousand Five hundred and Ninety Nine only) as on 27/04/2023 plus further interest and charges thereon within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said Notice.

The borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned have taken Possession of the Property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under sub-section (4) of section 13 of Act read with rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on this the **16th day of August, 2023.**

The borrower in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the Property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the IDBI Bank Limited, for an amount of Rs.19,75,599/- (Rupees Nineteen Lakhs Seventy Five Thousand Five hundred and Ninety Nine only) as on 27/04/2023 plus further interest and charges thereon.

The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcels of the property bearing Flat No .S-4, 2nd Floor, "Shivaganga Harmony Apartment", Site Nos.31, 61, 62 & 63, BBMP Katha No.430/63/31/62/61, Sy.no.52/1 & 52/3, Situated at Vasanthapura Village, Uttarahalli - Hobli, Bangalore in the state/union territory of Karnataka together with undivided share in the land and all the structures there on and bounded as follows On or towards East: Road & Site no.29, 30, 32 & 33, On or towards West: Road, On or towards North: Site no.60 & 32, On or towards South: Site no.64 & 30; Together with building and structure constructed thereon.

Schedule B Property: One 2 Bed Rooms Apartment bearing Flat no.S-4 in second floor of the building Known as "Shiva

BRUHAT BENGALURU MAHANAGARA PALIKE

Office of the Executive Engineer, (Project-East),
21st Floor, Nethaji Subhash Chandra Bose Building,
(PUB) M.G. Road, Bengaluru - 560 001.

No: EE(PE)/TEND/09/2022-23 **Date: 19.08.2023**

CORRIGENDUM-2

Due to New Digital Signer Key problem in e-Procurement this undersign office is unable to upload the tender documents in E-portal hence with respect to the Tender Notification No: EE/P-E/Tend/09/2022-23 issued on dated: 01.08.2023 (Call-2) the revised tender schedule dates for the work of this notification is as shown below.

Calendar of Events: (1) Tender documents may be downloaded from **24.08.2023** onwards. (2) Pre-bid meeting as per RFP is **31.08.2023** at **3:00** pm. (3) Last date for uploading the Filled Proposal is **02.09.2023** upto **4:00** pm. (4) Date of opening of Technical Proposals is **04.09.2023** at **4:30** pm. (5) Date of Opening Financial Proposal is After approval of Technical Bid from Competent Authority.

Sd/- Executive Engineer (Project East)

केनरा बैंक Canara Bank
(A Government Of India Undertaking)

Branch : Bengaluru Chandra Layout, DP Code - 2614, No.8, 80 Feet Road, Chandra Layout, Bengaluru-560040

POSSESSION NOTICE

[See Rule 8(1) of SARFAESI RULES] Section 13(4) For Immovable Property)

Whereas: The undersigned being the Authorised Officer of the **Canara Bank, Chandra Layout Branch, Bengaluru-560040** under Securitisation And Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (Act 54 of 2002) (hereinafter referred to as "the Act") and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002 has issued a Demand Notices calling upon the Borrowers/ Mortgagors/Guarantors to repay the amount mentioned In the notice within **60 days** from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The Borrowers/Guarantors/Mortgagors having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrowers/Mortgagors/Guarantors and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 & 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on below mentioned dates.

The Borrowers/Guarantors/Mortgagors in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the **Canara Bank,** for an amount interest and Other Charges mentioned below.

The Borrowers/Guarantors/Mortgagors attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

1. Name and Address of the Borrowers/Guarantors/Mortgagors : (1) Sri.C.Ravi Shekar (2) Sri. C.Chandra Shekar (3) Sri. C.Shiva Prakash, All are resident at No. 20/1, Satvika Nilayam, 1st Main, Mysore Road, M M Road New, Near Vijaya Theatre, Byatarayanapura, Bengalore-560026.

Total amount mentioned in the notice : Rs. 28,58,460/- (Rupees Twenty Eight Lakhs Fifty Eight Thousand Four Hundred Sixty Only) and interest + cost thereon.

Demand Notice Dated :02.06.2023 **Possession Notice Date: 17.08.2023**

Description of the Immovable Properties : All that part and parcel of the immovable property Site No. 01, Municipal No.20, PID No.41-51-20, extent of 30*50 sft, Total 1500 Sq.ft at No. 20/1, Satvika Nilaya, 1st Main Road, M M Road, New Extension, Byatarayanapura, Mysore Road, Bangalore-560026, Bounded on : North by : Road, South by : Private Property, East by : Private Property, West by : 15ft Lane.

2. Name and Address of the Borrowers/Guarantors/Mortgagors : (1) Mr. Veerendra Kumar.M. (2) Ms. Sushma.D. Both are Residing at No.580, 1st Main, Andrahalli, Vishwaneedam Post, Vidyamanyanagar, Bengaluru-560078.

Total amount mentioned in the notice : Rs. 24,02,367.06 (Rupees Twenty Four Lakhs Two Thousand Three Hundred Sixty Seven and Six Paise Only) and interest + cost thereon.

Demand Notice Dated : 31.05.2023 **Possession Notice Date: 17.08.2023**

Description of the Immovable Properties : All that piece and parcel of the immovable property bearing number 580, 581 and 582, BBMP No. 17/580, 581, 582 V P Khatha No. 17, Sy.No. 17, siutated at Andhrahalli Village, within Herohalli Gram Panchayat limits, Yeshwanthpura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk measuring East to West 120+137/2 feet and North to South 90+0/2 feet an all 5782 Sq.ft. Bounded on : West by : Govt. Halla, East by : Road, North by : Site No. 583 and 606, South by : Private Property.

Date : 17.08.2023 **Sd/-Authorized Officer**
Place : Bengaluru **Canara Bank**

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THE KARUR VYSYA BANK LTD

ASSET RECOVERY BRANCH
Divisional Office Building, No.6, Shri Vasavi Temple Road, Near Sajjan Rao Circle, V V Puram, Bangalore - 560004

SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/ charged to the Secured Creditor, The Karur Vysya Bank Ltd, the constructive/ physical (whichever is applicable) possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of The Karur Vysya Bank Ltd., Secured Creditor, will be sold on **"As is where is"**, **"As is what is"**, and **"Whatever there is"** on **07.09.2023** for recovery of **Rs. 7,53,58,655.7/- (Rupees Seven Crores Fifty Three Lakhs Fifty Eight Thousand Six Hundred Fifty Five and Paisa Seven only)** due to **"The Karur Vysya Bank Ltd",** Secured Creditor from **(1) M/s. Sri Nandi Buildcon,** A Partnership Firm, Formerly known as M/s. Sri Nandi Green Solar, Having office at No.411, 4th Floor A Wing, Mittal Towers M G Road, Bangalore-560001; **(2) Mr. Pradeep Kumar Sekar (Partner),** Residing at C 501, Salarpuria Serenity, 5th Main, HSR Layout Sector 7, Bangalore-560102 and **(3) Mr. Shankar Suresh (Partner),** Residing at No. 33 22nd Main, Padmanabha Nagar, Banashankari 2nd Stage, Bangalore – 560070. The reserve price for **Schedule A will be Rs.42,00,000/- (Rupees Fourty Two lakhs only) and the earnest money deposit will be Rs. 4,20,000/-** (Rupees Four Lakhs and Twenty Thousand only). **Reserve price for Schedule B will be Rs.42,00,000 /-** (Rupees Fourty Two lakhs only) **and the earnest money deposit will be Rs. 4,20,000/-** (Rupees Four Lakhs and Twenty Thousand only). **Reserve price for Schedule C will be Rs.42,00,000 /-** (Rupees Fourty Two lakhs only) **and the earnest money deposit will be Rs. 4,20,000/-** (Rupees Four Lakhs and Twenty Thousand only). **Reserve price for Schedule D will be Rs.42,00,000 /-** (Rupees Fourty Two lakhs only) **and the earnest money deposit will be Rs. 4,20,000/-** (Rupees Four Lakhs and Twenty Thousand only). Reserve price for Schedule E will be **Rs.48,00,000 /-** (Rupees Fourty Eight lakhs only) **and the earnest money deposit will be Rs. 4,80,000/- (Rupees Four Lakhs and Eighty Thousand only).**

Description of the Immovable property: Schedule A : Residential vacant land (Non-Agri) situated at site No.392,panchayath Katha No. 773/392, Oxigen layout, Sy No.68/3, 68/4, 69/2, 91, 92, 95, 96, 97/1, 97/2, 97/3, 97/4 and 98/1, Gudigattanahalli Village, Sarjapura Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore measuring 2400 sqft; Bounded on East By: Site No. 391; West By:Site No. 393; North By: Site No.388, South By: Panchayath Road.

Schedule B : Residential vacant land (Non-Agri) situated at site No.393, panchayath katha No.773/393,Oxigen layout, Sy No. 68/3, 68/4, 69/2, 91, 92, 95, 96, 97/1, 97/2, 97/3, 97/4 and 98/1, Gudigattanahalli village, Sarjapura Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore measuring 2400 sqft; Bounded on: East By: Site No. 392; West By: Site No.394; North By: Site No.387&388; South By: Panchayath Road.

Schedule C : Residential vacant land (Non-Agri) situated at site No.394, panchayath katha No.774/394,Oxigen layout, Sy No.68/3, 68/4, 69/2, 91, 92, 95, 96,97/1,97/2,97/3,97/4 and 98/1, Gudigattanahalli village, Sarjapura Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore measuring 2400 sqft Bounded on : East By: Site No. 393; West By: Site No.395; North By: Site No.386 & 387 and South By:Panchayath Road.

Schedule D : Residential vacant land (Non-Agri) situated at site No.395, panchayath katha No.775/395, Oxigen layout, Sy No.68/3, 68/4, 69/2, 91, 92, 95, 96, 97/1,97/2,97/3,97/4 and 98/1, Gudigattanahalli village, Sarjapura Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore measuring 2400 sqft; Bounded on: East By: Site No. 394; West By: Site No.396; North By: Site No.385 & 386; South By:Panchayath Road.

Schedule E : Residential vacant land (Non-Agri) situated at site No.448, panchayath katha No.830/448, Oxigen layout, Sy No.68/3, 68/4, 69/2, 91, 92, 95, 96, 97/1,97/2,97/3,97/4 and 98/1, Gudigattanahalli village, Sarjapura Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore measuring 2739 sqft; Bounded on: East By: Site No. 453; West By: Panchayath Road; North By: Panchayath Road, South By: Site No.449.

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided in our Bank's/ Secured Creditor's website i.e **www.kvb.co.in/Property** Under Auction also at the web portal BankAuctions.in/ForeclosureIndia.comof the service provider, **M/s. 4 closure.**

Statutory 15 days' Notice under Rule 8(6) of the SARFAESI Act, 2002

The borrower/s and guarantor/s are hereby notified to pay the dues as mentioned above along with up to date interest and ancillary expenses before the date of e-Auction, failing which the Schedule property will be auctioned/sold and balance dues, if any, will be recovered with interest and cost.

Date : 21.08.2023 **Sd/- Authorized Officer**
Place: Bengaluru **THE KARUR VYSYA BANK LIMITED**

बैंक ऑफ़ बड़ौदा Bank of Baroda — विजया बैंक VIJAYA BANK — देना बैंक DENA BANK

Bank of Baroda

(A Government of India Undertaking)
Regional Office, Makam Towers, Vivekananda Road, Ashok Nagar, Mandya

E-AUCTION SALE NOTICE

E-auction sale notice for sale of immovable assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement Security Interest Act 2002, read with provision to Rule 6(2) & rule 8(6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002.

Notice is hereby given to public in general and in particular to the Borrower/s and Guarantor/s that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the secured creditor, possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of **Bank of Baroda,** Secured Creditor **" will be sold on as is where is "As is what is basis" and Whatever there is"** for the recovery of below mentioned account/s. The details of Borrower/s/Guarantor/s Secured Asset/s Dues/ Reserve Price/ e-Auction date, time, EMD, and Bid increase amount are mentioned below.

Name and Address of The Borrower/ Guarantors Borrower: (1) Lakhsman Gowda S/o Shivarajappa, No. 142, 1st Cross, Near S L V Kalyana Mantapa, Hemmigepura, Bangalore South, Chudenapura, Bengaluru, Karnataka-560060. **(2) H Melegowda** S/o H Hanumanthaiah, Residing at Laxmisagar, Bidadi, Ramanagara, Karnataka-562109. **Guarantors: (1) H Melegowda** S/o H Hanumanthaiah, Residing at Laxmisagar, Bidadi, Ramanagara, Karnataka-562109.

Description of the Immovable Property : All that part and parcel of the property bearing Khaneshumari No. 123/43, Municipal Number 685/123/43, Site No. 43, Property Measuring East to West: 40 Ft and North to South: 30 Ft, totally measuring 1200 Sq Ft situated at Kethiganahalli Village, Bidadi Hobli, Ramanagara Taluk, Ramanagara District. Bounded by: East by : Site No. 42, West by : Road, North by : Road, South by: Site No 44.

Balance Outstanding As On **31.12.2021**	**A/c No's: 67350400000007: Rs. 15,75,947.87/- (O/s as on 31-12-2021)+ Interest from 01-01-2022 +Any Other Charges. Total: Rs. 15,75,947.87/- (Rupees Fifteen Lakh Seventy Five Thousand Nine Hundred Forty Seven and Eighty Seven Paisa only) (O/s as on 31-12-2021)+ Interest from 01-01-2022 +Any Other Charges.**
Date, Time & Portal For E-auction (With Unlimited Extension Of Five Minutes Duration On Each Bid) And Bid Incremenet Amount.	**DATE 29.09.2023 TIME: 10 AM to 06 PM Bid increment: Rs 20,000 /- www.mstcecommerce.com/auctionhome/ibapi/index.jsp**
Reserve Price And Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) Amount	**Reserve Price: Rs. 27,00,000/- (Rupees Twenty Seven Lakhs only) EMD: Rs 2,70,000/-**
Last Date And Time Of Receipt Of Emd And Bank A/C Details With IFSC For Transfer Of EMD	Please see the terms and conditions through the below mentioned link

For details terms and conditions of sale, please refer to the link provided in https://www.bankofbaroda.in/e-auction.htm and https://ibapi.in. and may also contact the authorized officer on 9059619651.

Date: 21.08.2023 **Sd/- Authorised Officer,**
Place: Mandya **Regional Office, Bank of Baroda**

केनरा बैंक Canara Bank
(A Government of India Undertaking)

Regional Office, Devanahalli. No. 333, Matru Arcade, 2nd Floor, 19th Ward, B.B. Road, Devanahalli Town-562110, Bengaluru Rural District. Devanahalli Taluk, Bangalore -562164.
Email : cb0427@canarabank.com
AVATHI BRANCH

(Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Properties)

SALE NOTICE

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable/ Movable Properties under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8(6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and/or Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the Physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of **Avathi Branch of Canara Bank.,** will be sold on the basis of "As is where is", "As is what is", and " Whatever there is" on **28.09.2023, 10-30 a.m. to 11.30 a.m.** for recovery of **Rs. 26,70,049.36** (Rupees Twenty Six Lakhs Seventy Thousand Fourty Nine and Thirty Six Paise Only) as on 18.08.2023 + Intrest there on due to Avathi Branch of Canara Bank borrower **Mr. Sunil Nagaraj Gowda (Borrower),** S/o. Nagaraja Gowda C, No. 35, Channarayapatna Village Post, Devanahalli Taluk, Bangalore Rural-562135. **Mr. Nagaraja Gowda .C (Co-Borrower)** S/o. Late Chikkagundappa, Channarayapatna, Devanahalli Taluk, Bangalore Rural - 562135.

The Reserve price, Earnest Money Deposits, Auction date, last date of submission of Bid details are as under. The intending bidders shall deposit Earnest Money deposit (EMD) by way of DD favouring Authorised Officer Canara Bank Avathi Branch, Bangalore or through online **(RTGS/NEFT/Fund Transfer-IFSC Code CNRB0000427)** to the credit of the **account number 209272434,** Canara Bank Avathi Branch, on or before **26.09.2023 by 5.00 pm.** Date & Time of the E-Auction **28.09.2023 from 10.30 A.M. to 11.30 A.M.**

E-Auction Date : 28.09.2023

Descripiton of the immovable Assest	Reserve Price	EMD Amount	Bid Incremental Value
1) Residential (House) property bearing panchayath Katha No. 16/11, property No.13, KAHTA measuring to the extent of east –west 46 ft and north-south 28 ft of Channarayapatna Village, Channarayapatna Hobli, Devanahalli Taluk and bounded as : **East by :** Vacant property of Puttamma, **West By :** Panchayath road, **North by :** Road, **South by :** Sandu and house of Kanthamma.	**Rs. 42,30,900**	**Rs. 4,23,090**	**Rs. 10,000/-**
2) Vacant site property bearing panchayath Katha No. 16/11, property No. 13(A), measuring to the extent of East-West 64ft and North–South 37ft of Channarayapatna village Channarayapatna hobli, Devanahalli Taluk and bounded as **East by :** Chanrandi and Road, **West by :** House of Lakshmappa and vacant site, **North by :** Road, **South by :** Properties of Narayanaswamy and Channegowda.			

known encumbrances, if any: Not to the knowledge of the Bank.

Note: All charges including property tax, Electricity charges and Maintenance charges etc., and any other charges shall be borne by the successful bidder only.

For detailed Terms and Conditions of the sale please contact **Authorized Officer, Canara Bank, Avathi Branch, Ph : 9880561635 or may contact the service provider M/s. CANBANK COMPUTER SERVICS LTD (Contact 9480691777, 8898418010 / 9832952602 e- mail: eauction@ccsl.co.in** during office hours on any working day.

Date: 19.08.2023 **Sd/-**
Place: Devanahalli **Authorised Officer**

BRUHAT BENGALURU MAHANAGARA PALIKE

Office of the Executive Engineer, (Lakes-Yelahanka)
Room No.308, 3rd Floor, Annex Building-3, N.R. Square,
Bengaluru - 560 002.

No: EE(Lakes-Yel)/Tend-01/2023-24 **Date: 21.08.2023**

INVITATION FOR TENDER (IFT)

(Through **GOK e-Procurement Portal** only)

Tenders on Item Rate basis are invited by the undersigned for the works mentioned below from the registered contractors of Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike or Equivalent registration with CPWD/KPWD/Railways/MES or any State Government Organizations.

Sl. No.	Name of the Works/Category	Estimated Cost of Work (₹. in Lakhs)	EMD (in ₹.)
1	Annual Maintenance of Rachenahalli Lake (General)	40.00	80,000/-
2	Annual Maintenance of Amruthahalli Lake (General)	13.00	32,500/-
3	Annual Maintenance of Kogilu Lake (SC)	26.00	26,000/-
4	Annual Maintenance of Doddabommasandra Lake & Narasipura Lake Sy No.20 (General)	47.50	95,000/-
5	Annual Maintenance of Singapura Lake & Narasipura Lake Sy No.26 (General)	30.39	60,780/-
6	Annual Maintenance of Palanahalli Lake, Kattigenahalli Lake, Thirumenahalli Lake, Chokkanahalli Lake & Agrahara Lake (General)	42.28	84,560/-
7	Annual Maintenance of Jakkuru Lake & Venkateshapura Lake (SC)	44.39	44,390/-
8	Annual Maintenance of Yelahanka Lake & Chikka Bettahalli Lake (General)	47.12	94,240/-
9	Annual Maintenance of Veerasagara Lake (General)	13.00	32,500/-
10	Annual Maintenance of Atturu Lake (ST)	26.00	26,000/-
11	Annual Maintenance of Avalahalli Lake & Ramagondanahalli Lake (General)	20.58	41,160/-
12	Annual Maintenance of Harohalli Lake (ST)	26.00	26,000/-
13	Annual Maintenance of Allalasandra Lake, Vaderahalli Lake & Shivanahalli Lake (General)	21.70	43,400/-
14	Fencing & Walkway repair works at Agrahara Lake, Chokka -nahalli Lake, Thirumenahalli Lake & Kattigenahalli Lake (General)	35.00	70,000/-
15	Fencing Repair and Other allied works at Doddabommasandra Lake (General)	35.00	70,000/-
16	Pathway, Repair, Painting Fencing and Other Allied works at Kogilu Lake (General)	20.00	50,000/-
17	Pathway, Repair, Painting Fencing and Other Allied works at Yelahanka Lake & Veerasagara Lake (SC)	35.00	35,000/-

Calendar of Events : (1)Available of Tender documents on **23.08.2023** after **10:00** am. (2) Last date for receipt of Tenders is **06.09.2023** upto **4:00** pm. (3) Opening of Tender Bid is **07.09.2023** at **4:30** pm. (4) This tender notice can also be seen on the BBMP Website: **www.bbmp.gov.in**. Further details may be obtained from the above office during office hours on working days or from website: **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in**

Sd/- Executive Engineer (Lakes-Yelahanka)

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(FORMERLY KNOWN AS EQUITAS FINANCE LTD)
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044-42995000, 044-42995050

POSSESSION NOTICE (U/s. Rule 8 (1) - for immovable property)

Whereas the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of M/s. Equitas Small Finance Bank Limited, under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest [Act, 2002 (54 of 2002)] and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(12) read with [Rule 3] of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued a Demand Notice calling upon the below mentioned Borrowers to repay the total outstanding amount mentioned in the notice being within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice. Since the below mentioned Borrowers having failed to repay the below stated amount within the stipulated time, notice is hereby given to the below mentioned borrowers and the public in general that, the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under Sub-Section (4) of Section 13 of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the Security interest Enforcement Rules, 2002. The Borrowers in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the schedule mentioned properties and any dealings with the properties will be subject to the charge of M/s. Equitas Small Finance Bank Limited and further interest and other charges thereon." The Borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub –section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets."

Sl. No	Name of the Borrower(s) / Guarantor(s) (NAME OF THE BRANCH)	Description of Secured Asset (Immovable Property)	Demand Notice Date & Amount	Symbolic possession taken date
1	**Branch : K.R.Puram LAN No: EMFKRPRM0036296 Borrowers: MR.S.MOHAMMED RAFI Co-Borrower : MRS.RASIDA.S**	"Item-1 All that piece and parcel of Northern portion of immovable property bearing E-Katha No. 15030040100012O235 and as per Grama Panchayath Records Katha No. 612/1 and Site No. 1.Measuring East to West Northern side 56 feet, sourthern side 55 feet, North and Sourth Eastern side 18 feet, western side 15 feet. in all totally 915.75 Sqr Feet Situated at Kannurahalli Village, Doddagattiganabbe Village panchayath, Kasaba Hobli, Hoskote Taluk, Bangalore Rural District. North by : Private Property South by : Remaining portion of site no1(Harsha B.U Property) East by : Private Property, West by : Road Measurement: East to West Northern side 56 feet, sourthern side 55 feet, North and Sourth Eastern side 18 feet, western side 15 feet, in all totally 915.75 Sqr Feet Situated at within the Sub-Registration District of Hoskote and Registration. District of Bangalore. "	03-03-2023 & Rs.1584295/-	16-08-2023

Date : 22-08-2023, Place: BANGALORE **Authorized Officer- Equitas Small Finance Bank Ltd**

बैंक ऑफ़ बड़ौदा Bank of Baroda — विजया बैंक VIJAYA BANK — देना बैंक DENA BANK

Bank of Baroda

(A Government of India Undertaking)
Regional Office, Makam Towers, Vivekananda Road, Ashok Nagar, Mandya

E-AUCTION SALE NOTICE

E-auction sale notice for sale of immovable assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement Security Interest Act 2002, read with provision to Rule 6(2) & rule 8(6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002.

Notice is hereby given to public in general and in particular to the Borrower/s and Guarantor/s that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the secured creditor, possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of **Bank of Baroda,** Secured Creditor **" will be sold on as is where is "As is what is basis" and Whatever there is"** for the recovery of below mentioned account/s. The details of Borrower/s/Guarantor/s Secured Asset/s Dues/ Reserve Price/ e-Auction date, time, EMD, and Bid increase amount are mentioned below.

Name and Address of The Borrower/ Guarantors Borrower: (1) M/S Sun Creation, Prop: Smt. Umadevamma B M, # 25/12/275, 5th Cross, Manjunatha Nagara, Jalmangala Road, Ramanagaram-562159 **(Borrower) Mr. Nanjaiah S/o Putta Nanjaiah (Mortgagor) (Deceased) (2) Mr. Nataraju K N S/o Nanjaiah (Legal Heir Of The Deceased Nanjaiah) (3) Mr. Vishwanath K N S/o Nanjaiah (Legal Heir of the Deceased Nanjaiah) (4) Ms. Nalinak N D/o Nanjaiah (Legal Heir Of The Deceased Nanjaiah)** All Are Residing At # 25/12/275, 5th Cross, Manjunatha Nagara, Jalmangala Road, Ramanagaram-562159, **Guarantors : (1) Mr.Nataraju** S/o Nanjaiah, #25/12/275, 5th Cross, Manjunatha Nagara, Jalmangala Road, Ramanagaram-562159 Mr. Nanjaiah S/o Putta Nanjaiah (Mortgagor) (Deceased) **(2) Mr. Nataraju K N S/o Nanjaiah (Legal Heir Of The Deceased Nanjaiah) (3) Mr. Vishwanath K N S/o Nanjaiah, (Legal Heir Of The Deceased Nanjaiah) (4) Ms. Nalinak N** D/o Nanjaiah, (Legal Heir Of The Deceased Nanjaiah), All Residing At : # 25/12/275, 5th Cross, Manjunatha Nagara, Jalmangala Road, Ramanagaram - 562159

Description of the Immovable Property : All the piece and parcel of land bearing Katha No: 216/156/15 measuring to an extent of East to West: 45 Feet, North to South: 30 Feet inclusive of the RCC house built therein, situated at Hanumanthanagara, Jalamangala Road, Ramanagara Town, Ramanagara District, having bounded on the: East by : Property of Chikkahydegowda, West by : 20 Feet Road, North by: Site No 14, South by: Site No 16.

Balance Outstanding As On **31.07.2020**	**A/c No's: 67380600000633: Rs. 8,62,316/- (Rupees Eight Lakhs Sixty Two Thousand Three Hundred and Sixteen Only) (O/s as on 31.07.2020 + Interest from 31.07.2020 + further EMI's and Drawings + Other Charges)**
Date, Time & Portal For E-auction (With Unlimited Extension Of Five Minutes Duration On Each Bid) And Bid Incremenet Amount.	**DATE 29.09.2023 TIME: 10 AM to 06 PM Bid increment: Rs 20,000 /- www.mstcecommerce.com/auctionhome/ibapi/index.jsp**
Reserve Price And Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) Amount	**Reserve Price: Rs.42,14,000 /- (Rupees Forty Two Lakhs Fourteen Thousand only) EMD: Rs 4,21,400/-**
Last Date And Time Of Receipt Of Emd And Bank A/C Details With IFSC For Transfer Of EMD	Please see the terms and conditions through the below mentioned link

For details terms and conditions of sale, please refer to the link provided in https://www.bankofbaroda.in/e-auction.htm and https://ibapi.in. and may also contact the authorized officer on 9059619651.

Date: 21.08.2023 **Sd/- Authorised Officer,**
Place: Mandya **Regional Office, Bank of Baroda**

YES BANK

Yes Bank Limited

Prestige obelisk, Municipal No.3, Ground Floor, Kasturba Road, Banglore - 560001

PUBLICATION OF NOTICE U/S 13 (2) OF THE SARFAESI ACT

Notice is hereby given that the under mentioned borrower(s)/ guarantor(s)/mortgagor(s) who have defaulted in the repayment of principal and interest of the Overdraft facilities obtained by them from the Bank and whose facility account has been classified as Non-Performing Assets (NPA). The notices were issued to them under Section 13(2) of the Securitization and Re-construction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 (SARFAESI Act) on their last known addresses but they have been returned un-served and as such they are hereby informed by way of this public notice.

Sr. No.1	Agreement No.: AFH002200864472	Type of Loan :AFH	O/s. As per 13(2) Notice: Rs. 29,47,777.12	NPA Date: 13-06-2023	Notice Date: 17-07-2023

Name of Borrowers, co-borrowers, guarantors, Mortgagors: Mr. Garapati Rambabu & Mr.Rajyalakshmi Boddu.

Details of secured asset Item-1 :- All that part and partial of site bearing No.1, Katha 834/01 carved out of DC converted land Sy No. 324/3 & 323 comprising in other Sy No.324/1, 324/2, 328/1 & 330/2 in the layout known as celebrity Sigma, situated at Bidaraguppe Village, Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore District, converted vide conversion Order No. BDS/ALN(A)SR293/2004-05, issued by special Deputy Commissioner Bangalore Urban District, and layout plan is sanctioned by Anekal Planning Authority Vide No. APA/LAO/151/2005-06 measuring East to West southern side 323.10 + 14.0 ft & Northern Side 304.3 feet, and North to South Western Side 227.5 Ft and Eastern side 302+57 feet totally measuring 92, 143 Sq. feet, or 8564.75 Sq meters, and bounded on East by: Proposed STRR Road West by: Neighbor's Land in Sy. No.325/3. North by: 40 feet Road. South by: Neighbor's Land in Sy. No.310.

Item-2 308 Sq. ft undivided right, title and interest in the immovable property mentioned in Item-1 above.

Item-3 Flat bearing No.015 in the Ground Floor, Block B, measuring about 940 Sq. feet super built up area, consisting of 2 BHK, Bidaraguppe Gram Panchayat Katha No. 604/1/B015 & E swathu No. 150200100200120315, with Vitrified flooring, including proportionate share in common areas such as passages, lobbies, staircase and staircase & with one car parking space etc., in the multistoried residential building known as **"CELEBRITY SQUARE"** constructed over Item-A Property East by : Open Space, West by : Passage, North by : Flat No-B-016,South by : Open Space

Sr. No.2	Agreement No : AFH002200949593	Type of Loan :AFH	O/s. As per 13(2) Notice: Rs. 12,95,443.97	NPA Date: 13-06-2023	Notice Date: 17-07-2023

Name of Borrowers, co-borrowers, guarantors, Mortgagors: Mr. Shankar M S & Mrs. Anitha V.

Details of secured asset Item-1 All that piece and parcel of immoveable property being the residentially converted land in Survey No. 46/5, E-Katha No. 152500901300222016 (katha No. 323), situated at Annenahalli Village, Kasaba Hobli, Tumkur Taluk and District measuring 39.04 guntas and bounded as follows: On the East: Lands bearing Survey no. 45; West: 80 Feet Road; North: Land bearing Survey No. 46/5 belonging to Smt. Gayathri; South: Land belonging to SP Chidananda.

Item – 2 All that piece and parcel of immoveable property being the residentially converted land in Survey No. 46/7, E- Katha No. 152500901300222016 (Katha No. 323), situated at Annenahalli Village, kasaba Hobli, Tumkur Taluk and District measuring 19.12 guntas and bounded as follows: On the East: Lands bearing Survey No. 45; West: 80 feet Road; North: Land bearing Survey No 46/4; South: Land bearing Survey No. 46/5.

Item – 3 Swarna Griha 1 Apartment bearing no. E – 342 having Super Built up Area of 40.34 Square Meter, on Second Floor in Block – E, bearing E – Katha PID No: 152500901300222993 as permissible under the applicable law and of pro rata share in the common area. Swarna Griha 1, Apartment bearing No. E – 342 having Carpet area 29.01 Sq. Meters, on Second Floor, in Block – E with UDS 20.89 SQ Meter as permissible under the applicable law with pro-rata share in Common Area, morefully set out and bounded as follows: East: Corridor West: Open To Sky North: Flat No 341 South: Flat No 343. Corridor, Staircase, Connection Bridge between the blocks and Lift.

Item – 4 All around boundary wall with entrance plaza and security room and gate, water supply – Underground Sump and overhead tank, STP, Bore-wells.

Sr. No.3	Agreement No : AFH002200920319	Type of Loan :AFH	O/s. As per 13(2) Notice: Rs. 42,85,076.42	NPA Date: 13-06-2023	Notice Date: 17-07-2023

Name of Borrowers, co-borrowers, guarantors, Mortgagors: Mrs. SHAMILY A & Mr. Rajeev A.

Details of secured asset Item-1 All that residentially converted undeveloped vacant land bearing Sy. No 19/1, measuring 20 Guntas and Sy. No.20/3, measuring 5.08 Guntas, in all measuring about 25.08 Guntas equivalent to 27,769.5 Square Feet or 2,579.84 Square Metres, converted in terms of Official Memorandum dated 05/02/2015, in No. ALN(NY) SR/80/14-15, issued by the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District and bearing Municipal No. 224/19/1 and 20/3, situated within the Bruhath Bangalore Mahanagara Palike Ward No. 5 – Jakkur, Agrahara Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore North taluk, Bangalore, and the land is bounded by: East: Private Land belonging to Sy. No.20; West: Road; North: Private Land belonging to Sy. No. 19; and South: Private Land belonging to Sy. No. 20.

Item 2 547 Square Feet of undivided right, title, interest and ownership of land in the Item - 1Property.

Item-3 All that Residential Apartment bearing No. 302, in Third Floor, in residential complex known as "TRIGUNA ASHWATHA", built on the Item – 1 property, measuring about 1,404 Square Feet of Super Built – up Area and Carpet Area measuring about 1,102 Square Feet of Super Built – up Area and Carpet Srea measuring about 1,102 Square Feet of Carpet Area, along with One Covered Car Parking Slot in the Basement, together with proportionate share in common areas and facilities, attributable to the said apartment and the Apartment is bounded by: On or towards East by: Apartment No.311, in "Triguna Ashwatha"; On or towards West by: Road below; On or towards North by: Apartment No. 301, in "Triguna Ashwatha"; and On or towards South by: Apartment No. 303, in "Triguna Ashwatha"; The walls of Apartment are built out of bricks with cement masonry, Vitrified Tiled Flooring and R.C.C. Roofing, UPVC sliding windows with glass panels and Teak wood main door, with all civic amenities and the apartment construction is completed.

Sr. No.4	Agreement No.: AFH002200375365	Type of Loan :AFH	O/s. As per 13(2) Notice: Rs. 6,18,630.81	NPA Date: 13-06-2023	Notice Date: 17-07-2023

Name of Borrowers, co-borrowers, guarantors, Mortgagors: Mr. C Muniswamy & Mrs. Lakshmi M D.

Details of secured asset Item-1 : All that piece and parcel of immoveable property situated at KODIYALAM VILLAGE of Hosur taluk, Krishnagiri District, attached to the Registration District of Krishnagiri and Sub Registration District of Hosur and also attached to the Village Panchayat limits of Sevaganapalli and Union Council of Hosur, bearing (1)Survey Number: 42/1B, Dry Ext.Hect.1.24.5(or) Ac.3.07, Asst.Rs.4.20, in this an extent of Ac.2.85 cents, the present sub division being Survey Number 42/1B1A. (2)Survey Number:42/2, Dry Ext.Hect.1.49.0 (or) Acre.3.68, Asst.Rs.5.04 np., in this an extent of Acre 3.45 cents, the present sub division being Survey Number 42/2A. Altogether making a total extent Acre.6.30 Cents of lands have been converted into house sites along with the other numbers in the name and style of "VIP KING'S TOWN" PLOT No.359 and situated within the following boundaries: East: Plot No.360 West: Plot No.358 North: 25 feet wide Layout Road South: Plot No.368 Within these boundaries measuring: East to West on the North Side: 20 Feet. East to West on the South Side: 20 Feet. North to South on the East Side: 40 Feet. North to South on the West Side: 40 Feet.

Item – 2 Total : 800 Square Feet of vacant land. The above said plot is located in SURVEY NUMBER;

EDITORIAL

In character, in manner, in style, in all the things, the supreme excellence is simplicity

Henry Wadsworth Longfellow

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— Ramnath Goenka

WORLD CUP A SUCCESS, INDIA MUST PROMOTE WOMEN'S FOOTBALL

An exciting edition of the FIFA Women's World Cup ended in Australia on Sunday, with troubled Spain defeating England for the crown. It was indeed a pathbreaking tournament. No other edition of the WWC has gained the kind of traction and publicity that this one did. This was easily the biggest one yet, and not just because 32 teams featured for the first time. The previous record for best total attendance at a WWC stood at 1,353,506 in Canada in 2015. This edition surpassed that record before the quarterfinals even began and the average per match attendance was 5,000 more than the previous edition in France. It was also the first to be hosted across multiple countries—Australia and New Zealand, and featured a prize-money pool of $110 mn, $80 mn more than the last edition. Australia's semifinal against England was the most-watched programme on Australian television since ratings began in 2001. It truly feels as if, for the women's game, a corner has been turned.

Results on the pitch, too, indicate that women's football has come a long way. The USA—finalists in the last three editions and champions in the last two—crashed out in pre-quarters. Jamaica, where the women's football programme was restarted only in 2014, held France and Brazil to draws. The Philippines, playing in their first World Cup, managed a win over New Zealand. Neither of the two—Spain and England—had played a final before.

The multidimensional success of the 2023 WWC is perhaps a good opportunity to re-examine India's place in the global game. Women's football in the country has long been neglected. Even as positive noises have been made over the last year, it is hard to point out tangible change, or at least concrete steps that guarantee tangible change. In spite of all this, the gap between the Indian women's game and global standards remain much more bridgeable than the men's version. As Jamaica has shown, even a women's football programme run optimally for a decade can show results. India is currently 60th on the FIFA rankings and 11th in Asia. Even managing to climb a few steps up the ladder could see them in contention for a World Cup berth. Australia's run at the WWC saw the Matildas become the nation's most valuable sporting team. A similar revolution in Indian women's football could be a gamechanger for all of Indian sport.

ODISHA NEEDS TO CHANGE ITS TIGER TALE

Around the time the country was celebrating half a century of tiger conservation and an impressive growth in the big cat population, Odisha was busy pondering over how its own tiger story went wrong. As per the latest All India Tiger Estimation report (2022), the state's tiger count has reported a further drop—from 28 in 2018 to 20 in 2022. Interestingly, the Similipal Tiger Reserve has 16 of these majestic predators, which also means the rest of Odisha has next to nothing. The state government was not exactly chuffed with the 100% jump in Similipal's tiger headcount because it expected more and declared it would conduct its own estimation during the winters. Among the first set of tiger reserves in India to be notified in 1973–74 when Project Tiger came into being, Similipal is a healthy habitat but has flattered to deceive, given its size and prey base. Dented by a poor protection network following Maoist attacks, it has seen a dip in tiger numbers in the past two decades. However, in the last five years, the management and conservation practices have improved. While poaching continues to be a big worry—two forest field staff were killed recently—intense scrutiny by the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change and the Odisha government's swift response has brought back that much-needed focus on security and management effectiveness. Similipal is bound to change for good in the days to come.

The challenges are elsewhere. Satkosia, the second tiger reserve in the state, has not received commensurate attention. A vibrant habitat, it was notified in 2007. However, it has also seen its tigers disappear. Satkosia must be revived if Odisha wants to strengthen its tiger population. Currently, this reserve battles high anthropogenic pressures and the tardy pace of relocation of human settlements which dot the landscape, unique for its diverse composition of species endemic to the Deccan Peninsula, the Eastern Ghats and even the Western Ghats.

Though the state government attempted an ambitious reintroduction project in 2017–18 by translocating a pair of big cats from Madhya Pradesh, it had a disastrous end. While fresh attempts must be made, the state should look at creating more protected areas for tigers. It can begin with the Sunabeda Wildlife Sanctuary, whose notification has been pending for the last 15 years. New territories, protected corridors and a renewed conservation focus can bring the stripes of orange and black back to Odisha.

QUICK TAKE

SPORTS QUOTA WOE

The Supreme Court describes as discriminatory a Chandigarh-based college's 75% marks criterion in Class XII for sports quota admissions. The order's a good precedent for meritorious sportspersons seeking admissions nationwide under the special category. The quota aims to promote and encourage students excelling in competitive sports. The court's logic is simple: Rejecting admission to an award-winning sportsperson because they didn't meet the high academic standard is as unfortunate as one with mediocre sports credentials getting admission for superior academic performance. Such high cut-offs neither help the equality clause nor achieve the quota's purpose. It's also incumbent on sportspersons not to misuse the quota.

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UNCERTAINTY IN PAKISTAN DUE TO DYNAMIC SITUATION

LT GEN SYED ATA HASNAIN (RETD)

Former Commander, Srinagar-based 15 Corps. Now Chancellor, Central University of Kashmir

Some of us in India have a Pakistan obsession; we love to keep our eyes on that nation and analyse its every development. Personally, I do not profess to do that but I do think Pakistan is one nation which gives enough opportunity to analysts to continually test their wares. It's one of those nations where if you do not follow the happenings, you are outdated in two days. Things go wrong in India, too, just as they would in a nation of 1.4 billion: communal riots, agitations and ethnic instability. Yet, from a geopolitical angle, much of this gets subsumed under India's economic success, political stability and rising stature in the world order.

There was a time when Pakistan, too, was feted and cultivated for a variety of reasons, none of which are valid today. Though not really a basket case, Pakistan has been off the rails for long and its current dynamics give no respite, be it internal politics, economy, sectarianism, radicalism, regional issues or foreign policy.

A temporary reprieve seems to have come its way in the last few weeks—in the economic domain. Most analysts always felt that with a degree of brinkmanship, Pakistan would not be allowed to go under. It did display remarkable ability to survive even in the face of an existential crisis. That was an achievement of sorts for former prime minister Shehbaz Sharif.

The Pakistan Army is determined to ensure elections, which could take place in November this year. The Army does not wish to rule, since most of the power is already in its hands; it is far more prudent to hold that power from behind rather than directly. That probably has the approval of the Pakistan Army's biggest sponsor, the US. The latter is acutely aware of the dangers of letting things go adrift in Pakistan's political scene. It contended with Imran Khan's maverick attitude while he was the prime minister and even witnessed the rise of his street popularity.

The symbolism of Imran Khan's presence in Moscow on the day the Ukraine War commenced is not something the US will forget in a hurry. Reports are indicating that Imran Khan's constant reference to the foreign hand against him is a finger pointed at the US, which wanted him removed at any cost; the issue has yet to die down.

So, the election is likely to take place, as per the Constitution, with caretaker Prime Minister Anwaar-ul-Haq Kakar, a known Army supporter, in the seat. His job will be to keep the nation on the rails in terms of both political and economic stabilisation for the next few months, with the $350-billion economy on survival mode after getting a last-minute $3-billion bailout from the International Monetary Fund (IMF), averting a sovereign debt default.

In the next four to five years, Pakistan is due to service loans of almost $80bn. However, almost every step will have to cater to the directions of foreign funders and neutralizing all those internal forces who threaten to bring about an implosion of catastrophic proportions.

There is, of course, a contingency which could see Kakar's interim stewardship extended. The outgoing government had approved the results of Pakistan's latest census, which took place in May 2023. Pakistan's Constitution needs elections to take place within 90 days after the Assembly is dissolved. It also lays down that polls must take place as per constituency delimitation, which must be marked according to the latest census.

The Election Commission of Pakistan needs at least four months to complete new delimitations. So, elections may not be held this year. Was all this contrived to give the constituents of the Pakistan Democratic Movement more time? This is something they have been demanding so as to allow the disastrous economic situation to stabilise, which anyway is highly unlikely.

All the above will perhaps lead to Pakistan's politics being controlled for many years by the Army as proxy of the US, but with a 'selected government'. With China reportedly seeing early signs of economic decline, a decrease in assistance could be on the cards. It does not necessarily mean a reduction of influence but a short-term standstill; the balance may thus once again tilt towards the US. The US-Pak relationship is perennial and this only recently saw reinforcement with the supply of ammunition to Ukraine from the Pakistan ammunition factories at Wah. The Twitter handle 'Ukraine Weapons Tracker' said that Pakistan was part of an air bridge for supplying weapons to Ukraine. All this while, Pakistan has been sourcing wheat from Russia and a first consignment of Russian discounted oil has also been supplied to it, with the US turning a blind eye. A policy of higher tolerance seems to be followed by the US to allow Pakistan greater flexibility in foreign policy. In this context, Pakistan's relationship with Saudi Arabia may not be as warm as it has historically been. Its refusal to join the Saudi-led military coalition in Yemen some years ago led to some cooling which is yet on recovery mode, and there is considerable recovery to be made.

So, what can we expect in the run up to the elections if they are to be held in November or delayed by a few weeks? There are indicators of the return of former PM Nawaz Sharif, and there is a broad understanding within his Pakistan Muslim League (N) that he would be PM.

The question one asks is whether the Pakistan People's Party with the Zardari-Bilawal element is seeking to be so easily subsumed. Bilawal is maturing, his articulation is excellent, and he is obviously ambitious. Is the PDM, therefore, likely to return, or will the elections be fought on individual manifestos—with a consensus after the polls if they do not achieve clear results? Much will depend on how the political scenario unfolds with reference to Imran Khan and his Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf (PTI). He is serving jail time for three years and is banned from elections for five. If the PTI without Imran can garner large-scale public support, it would be a different story, with the PDM coming back together, in a hurry.

What does this augur for us in India, with Pakistan at a low? If reports are true that General Asim Munir is working hard to make Pakistan's governance more effective—and foreign policy is at a lower priority except in the economic domain—there should be a period of relative calm on the western borders and efforts towards J&K will remain low-key.

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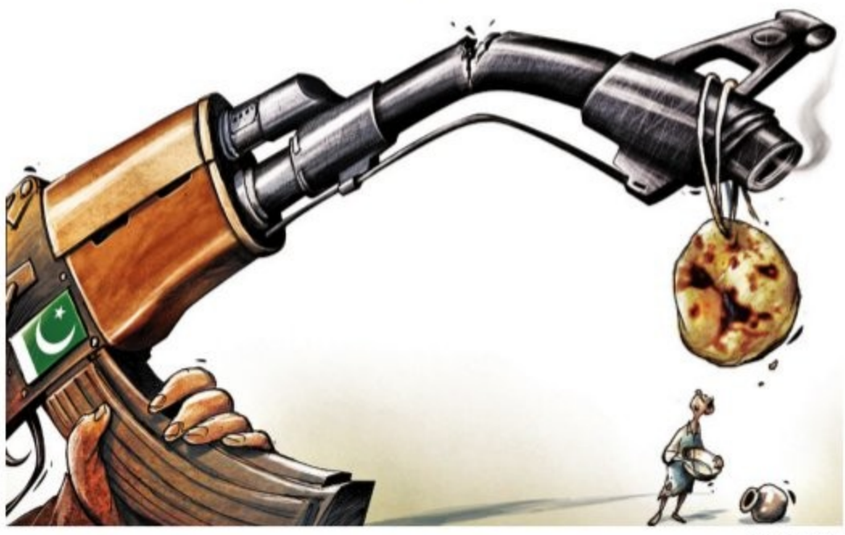

SOUMYADIP SINHA

SOUTHEAST ASIA AND ITS DEMOCRACY DEFICIT

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ASIAN AXIS

Last month's general elections in Cambodia did little to secure the country's domestic political processes, leaving the country open to international criticism even as the mantle of political leadership passed from the hands of Prime Minister Hun Sen to his son Hun Manet, keeping the family firmly in control of the country's political fortunes. The recent elections are also significant as three decades have passed following the UN-sponsored electoral process which ended the Cambodian conflict, ushering in what was believed to be a period of democratic reforms.

However, in less than five years after the United Nations Transitional Authority in Cambodia (UNTAC) mission ended in Cambodia, the country has literally reverted to a one-party rule under the Cambodian People's Party (CPP). The recent elections have further highlighted how the CPP has remained in control and there have been few efforts to allow for opposition voices and members to participate in the electoral process. The two main opponents of Hun Sen's political leadership—Sam Rainsy and Kem Sokha—have been politically marginalised to such an extent that Rainsy has lived in exile since 2005, with only brief interludes in the country. Meanwhile, Sokha is under a 27-year house arrest after he was found guilty of treason in March 2023.

This brings to light a more generic problem: Southeast Asia's democracy deficit. This actually makes the region more vulnerable to major power rivalry; where internal cohesion remains weak, external factors will have the capacity to drive wedges between states, pulling them further away from each other. The ASEAN as a regional grouping has often underscored the need for democratic transition in the region, and while some countries like Indonesia and the Philippines have shown a greater commitment towards democracy, the challenges even in these have been evident.

Over the last year, there have been elections in four ASEAN countries, all of which have indicated that there is no consensus within. In the case of the Philippines, the elections in May 2022 saw a shift from the Duterte group's rule to the presidency of Ferdinand Marcos Jr., popularly known as Bongbong Marcos. The recent political fortunes of the Marcos family in the Philippines reflect the electorate's remarkably short memory of how the family lost its position during a democratic shift in 1986.

Less than four decades after its downfall, the Marcos' family is back again at the helm of affairs, albeit through an electoral process. The period of the Marcos family's authoritarian military rule has not been completely forgotten, but the capacity to move towards a genuine form of democracy through significant changes in governance processes and power-sharing remains weak in the highly centralised presidency.

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In November 2022, the electoral process in Malaysia ushered in a new government, but the preceding two years had witnessed severe domestic political turmoil. Following what was popularly known as the Sheraton Move—when Prime Minister Mahathir Mohamad stepped down after just 22 months in office—Malaysia had a tumultuous period of uncertainty, with three prime ministers over the course of four years, and all three led very tenuous coalitions which threatened to rock domestic stability.

In recent times, the breaking of the coalitions and formations of newer groups have been dominated by the need to keep the Malay-Muslim vote share, which has crucially affected the agenda of governance within the country. Even the electoral victory of Prime Minister Anwar Ibrahim, while a welcome shift, still remains dependent on coalition groups, which may very well affect the agenda-setting in terms of concrete reforms in the political system.

Then there is Thailand. In May 2023, the country went into general elections after the king dissolved Parliament in March. While the electoral victory of the Move Forward Party (MFP) under Pita Limjaroenrat was critical, his suspension from Thailand's Parliament in line with the ruling of the Thai Constitutional Court raises a serious question on respecting the electoral verdict. In the two preceding general elections in 2011 and 2019, the stage had been set for the clash between those who were seeking genuine democratic reforms and those who supported the monarchy-military leadership.

The military has been in power since 1932 with the support and backing of the royal family. The democratic shift in 1992 was short-lived and by 2006, the country slid back into military rule and this has continued almost uninterrupted. Protests have literally brought the country to a standstill on several occasions, and have been met with firm resistance from the government each time.

The coup d'etat of 2014—under the military leadership of General Prayut Chan-o-cha—ended months of a political standoff between pro- and anti-government protesters, and resulted in the installation of the National Council for Peace and Order. This was almost on the same lines of the State Peace and Development Council in Myanmar, which was a military organisation that had power over the government. The Thai Constitution of 2017 also provides for the military to have a continued role in the government and does little to bring about genuine democratic reforms in the country.

While these four countries are clear indicators of the degree of democratic deficit in the region, none is as brazenly apparent as the Myanmar case, where the continued violence between the State Administration Council (Myanmar's junta) and the People's Defence Forces and ethnic armed groups has continued unabated for over two years now. While the ASEAN charter of 2008 indicated the need for democratic transition in the region, the recent political developments in Southeast Asia do not seem to give any such assurance.

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Opposition unity

Ref: *Congress looks for balm to treat its Kejriwal headache* (Aug 21). Despite public rhetoric, opposition unity continues to be a mirage. The prime ministerial aspirations of Kejriwal and Mamata will make them resort to wily strategies to isolate Congress. The conflict at the local level between the opposition parties will threaten unity efforts.
Rajarao Kumar, Bengaluru

Thunder's voice

Ref: *What the voice of thunder says* (Aug 21) is a beautiful weekly read as usual. But the writer seems to have missed mentioning the aftermath of Brahma's instructions. Because the *devas* didn't practice self-control, they suffered at the hands of the *asuras*. The *asuras* didn't practice kindness, and humans didn't practice charity. The three races suffer the trials and tribulations even today, and the thunder says "Da, Da, Da" as a reminder.
Hullasa Behera, Bhubaneswar

Human qualities

In her simple style, Renuka Narayanan narrated a story I never heard before. Those days, there was a clear division: *devas*, *manushyas* and *asuras*. Today, humans have a mixture of the qualities of *devas* and *asuras*: Hatred, war, an unquenchable thirst for power, money and pleasure of various kinds.
Dr P Prema, Thanjavur

NEET woes

Ref: *Time is almost up for NEET, will be out soon in TN, Stalin assures students* (Aug 21). This assurance holds good only if 'INDIA' wins in 2024. If NDA wins, Stalin cannot help and will have to wait for 2029. Blaming AIADMK, Governor Ravi and the Modi government will not help the students.
Parthasarathy Mandadi, Tirupati

Compassionate approach

This is with reference to *Panmana Jamath sets example, to facilitate dignified burial for orphans* (Aug 21). The Puthusserikkotta Jamath's decision to bury orphans in accordance with their religious beliefs in the burial grounds of mosques belonging to the jamath will go a long way in forging communal harmony. This is a breath of fresh air, given the communal discord and bad blood in current times.
Dr George Jacob, Kochi

Cauvery row

This is with reference to *Cauvery row reignites* (Aug 21). The chronology of events should have included the efforts of then prime minister Deve Gowda to build a parallel dam at Hogenakkal to store excess water. The two states did not agree and the project was shelved. And the stalemate continues.
Krishnarao, email

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TWEETS OF THE DAY

Kapil Sibal @KapilSibal
Amit Shah on MP: Foundation laid for 'atma nirbhar' state. UNDP report: 4th poorest state; largest contributor of poverty. Vyapam! Corruption!

J P Nadda @JPNadda
Today, fulfilling the resolution of building a grand and divine Shri Ram temple, we all the countrymen pay our humble tribute to you

Priyanka Chaturvedi @priyankac19
A senior officer in Delhi's WCD dept, supposed to be helping women in distress, instead, was molesting a deceased friend's daughter; wife helped him

Modi may meet Xi at Jo'burg BRICS meet

With G20 Summit around the corner, pleasantries likely to be exchanged between the two leaders in South Africa

YESHI SELI @New Delhi

AS Prime Minister Narendra Modi is headed to Johannesburg to attend the 15th BRICS Summit, everyone is eagerly watching whether he will meet Chinese President Xi Jingping.

Though there is no official word on whether PM Modi and President Xi Jingping will have a bilateral meeting on the sidelines of the summit, chances of their shaking hands and striking a conversation are strong as they would be in the same venue for nearly two days.

With G20 Summit around the corner, some pleasantries will be exchanged based on which Xi Jinping will come for the summit in September, said a source. The BRICS Summit (August 22-24) will be the first in-person summit after 2019.

"Schedules of PM Modi's bilateral meetings in Johannesburg are still being finalised," said foreign secretary Vinay Mohan Kwatra on Monday.

The standoff between India and China has continued since Galwan happened in 2020. PM Modi and Xi Jingping did have a conversation during the G20 Summit in Bali in November, 2022 where the duo discussed stabilising ties.

Since Russian President Vladimir Putin will attend the meeting virtually, Russia's foreign minister Sergey Lavrov is expected to have a meeting with PM Modi, according to a source.

A business delegation will be accompanying PM Modi to the summit. The PM would address the Indian diaspora, too.

"There could be conversations regarding trade in local currencies among partner nations as there are many countries with which India has begun trade in national currencies. The most recent addition is the rupee-dhiram trade that was launched in the UAE recently," said the foreign secretary.

Dismissing rumours of the possibility of a common currency for BRICS, Kwatra said that having a single currency is a long and ardous process. The EU took nearly five decades to arrive at it, he added.

Another major development expected at the BRICS meet is the inclusion of more members. It is reported that 23 applications have been submitted by different countries to become members while in all over 40 have shown interest. Among those likely to be considered are Iran, the UAE and Saudi Arabia.

Formally launched in 2009, the BRICS now accounts for 23 per cent of the global GDP and 42 per cent of the world's population. The combined bloc represents more than 16 per cent of the world's trade.

Meanwhile, after attending the BRICS Summit, PM Modi will leave for Athens on an official visit.

"The visit to Greece would give both sides an opportunity to discuss the regional and global issues of mutual interest and help broaden and deepen our bilateral engagements," said Kwatra.

Greece is an important partner for India as it is a gateway to the EU market. Defence and security partnership will be at the core of discussions. "Greece is among the best navies in Europe and we will be looking at partnerships in defence and even co-production. Migration and mobility partnership is also on the cards," said Kwatra, adding that this will be the first visit of and Indian PM to Greece since 1983.

SIGNIFICANCE OF THE BLOC

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BRICS accounts for **23%** of the global GDP and **42%** of global population

BRICS represents more than **16%** of world's trade

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IRAN, UAE, SAUDI ARABIA MAY BE CONSIDERED FOR MEMBERSHIP

KEY TALK POINT

Trade in local currencies among partner nations may figure in conversation

No possibility of a common currency for BRICS

Schedules of PM Narendra Modi's bilateral meetings in Johannesburg are still being finalised
— Foreign Secretary Vinay Mohan Kwatra

'UCC needs wider consultation before it goes to Parliament'

Justice Krishna Murari, who retired as the Supreme Court judge earlier this month, speaks to **Shruti Kakkar** about a range of issues such as the Uniform Civil Code, the disqualification pleas against pro-Eknath Shinde group of MLAs in Maharashtra and the collegium system of appointment of judges in the higher judiciary. **Excerpts:**

Religious freedom or any fundamental right guaranteed under the Constitution is not absolute. It is subject to certain restrictions
Justice Krishna Murari

You have been in the legal field for nearly 42 years, including four years as an SC judge. What changes should have happened, and what can happen?
There have been changes, and many more are required. The most important thing is the disposal of cases because of the pendency of cases. This is the first are a that needs to be taken up on a priority. We have tried our best, but more needs to be done. There is a major technological upgrade taking place that can change the face of justice delivery system.

The Centre plans to implement the UCC. The move is being widely criticised. What is your position?
Before any decision is taken on the UCC, it requires a very large consultation with the public. The views should be put on record before any decision is taken, and those views should be taken into account before Parliament brings in any legislation. In a democracy, it is ultimately the will of the majority that prevails. But all views should be heard before a decision is taken. The Law Commission is already in the process of doing so, as it has extended the date for submission of opinions. This consultation should not a thorough and inclusive process.

A slew of legislations will be replaced if the UCC becomes law. Would this not impact the religious freedom guaranteed by the Constitution?
Religious freedom or any fundamental right guaranteed under the Constitution is not absolute. It is subject to certain restrictions. Yes, there is a freedom to practise your own religion. If for some reason, I am not advocating it, but if there is a situation where such freedom starts interfering with society at large, then it requires to be considered.

You were a part of the bench that directed the Maharashtra Speaker to decide the disqualification pleas within a reasonable time, it hasn't been done until now...
Out of respect for the Speaker, who is also a constitutional authority, the bench did not think it fit to make him time-bound. He should have honoured the verdict of the highest court of this land. I would not like to say more because the matter is sub judice. There are instances when the apex court was compelled to issue directions to the Speaker, but why allow that situation?

What, according to you, should be a "reasonable time" within which the Speaker should decide?
There is a procedure prescribed under the rules of every legislative assembly. The Speaker is duty-bound to follow that procedure. Reasonable time would be "any time which is reasonable" within the facts and circumstances of the case.

What are your views on the current system for selecting judges for the higher judiciary?
Since all information is not available for the public, there is a perception that the collegium system is opaque. If the collegium considers two names and recommends one, and if it starts giving reasons as to why it has chosen one over the other, then imagine the reputation of that person who has not been chosen.

verbatim

17 Indians, trafficked to Libya, repatriated; most from Punjab & Haryana

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AT LEAST 17 men, hailing from Punjab and Haryana, was repatriated to India on Sunday after being held captive in war-torn Libya. They were taken in by an armed mafia for entering the country illegally after their travel agents deserted them midway.

They left for Italy in February this year via Dubai and then Egypt. Enroute they entered Libya where they were apprehended and jailed as they didn't have any valid documents.

The Indian Embassy in Tunis (which looks after Libya) as well as the Ministry of External Affairs (MEA) learnt about the 17 men on May 26 after appeals by their family members, said a source familiar with the matter. "These 17 men were held captive by an armed group in Zwara City in Libya after they were trafficked from India. Since then the Indian Embassy in Tunis was in touch with the family members and made concerted efforts to get these men out of captivity," they said.

It is learnt that all through the months of May and June, the Indian Embassy through its informal channels followed up with the captors on their release.

"On June 13, the Libyan authorities were able to rescue the Indian nationals, but had kept them in their custody alleging that they had illegally entered the country. The Indian Ambassador in Tunis and senior MEA officials from Delhi worked hard to convince the Libyan authorities to release these men," the source said.

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Source

The Indian Embassy issued emergency certificates for their travel to India as they didn't have passports. The Embassy took care of the essentials for these 17 including food, medicines and clothes. The rescue operation and process of repatriation was facilitated by Vikramjit Singh Sahney Rajya Sabha MP from Punjab.

The return tickets for these men to India was also arranged by the Embassy.

Army gets tech-savvy as BTech graduates join as Agniveers

MAYANK SINGH @New Delhi

THE Army has been attracting technically qualified youth under the Agnipath recruitment scheme. Officials believe this will help in the Army's transformation and modernisation.

"The first two batches have witnessed a significant rise in technically qualified individuals -- with 5% holding diplomas or ITI qualifications, and 15% being graduates compared to a minuscule percentage in previous batches," said a source.

A significant achievement is that the forces have attracted 110 BTech and postgraduate candidates, adding a new dimension of technical expertise to the military organisation, sources said.

The infusion of technically adept individuals aligns with technological demands of modern warfare. These recruits, equipped with advanced technical skills will be pivotal in shaping the future technological initiatives currently underway in the Army, sources said.

The Indian Army is inducting modern weapons and equipment and also is in the process to adopt niche technologies.

The physical standards achieved by the Agniveers are at par with previous batches, negating apprehensions. By creating a cohort of Agniveers excelling academically, maintaining physical fitness, and raising the bar for technical qualifications, the scheme is driving the Army's transformation and modernisation plan.

The impressive achievements of the first two Agniveer batches emphasize that it is propelling the Indian Army closer to its vision of a youthful, technology-savvy force.

Between 2022 and 2026, around 1.75 lakh Agniveers are expected to be recruited. One of the positives of the scheme, as per the Ministry of Defence, is that this will make the age profile of the Units youthful.

Under the old system, youth between 16-and-a-half years and 21 years were selected for a minimum of 15 years of service and received a pension for serving this much. Under the new scheme, 100% of the recruits will leave after four years and then around 25% will be taken back from among them under a fresh process and will serve on a permanent basis.

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Defence sources

CVC says CBI's image dented as many graft cases against its officers pending

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THE Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI), country's premier investigating agency, probes cases of crime and corruption of serious nature with a record of utmost impartiality and competence. The agency over the years has established a reputation, leading to clout from all quarters.

According to the latest annual report of the Central Vigilance Commission (CVC), however, over a couple of dozen departmental cases against CBI personnel is pending at various stages of inquiry.

The CVC in its report said there are 52 departmental cases against Group-A officers and 19 cases against Group B and C officials, are pending as on December 2022.

"Pendency of cases against CBI officers may reflect on the reputation and image of the country's premier investigation agency," the CVC stated in the report.

In a break-up of the cases against CBI officers, the CVC said that out of 52 pending cases against CBI Group 'A' officers, 23 are pending for more than 4 years. This is followed by five cases pending for 3-4 years and seven cases pending for 2-3 years at various stages. Further, 9 cases are pending for 1-2 years, eight cases are pending for 1-2 years and eight cases for less than 1 year.

CBI UNDER SCANNER

Total pending cases against CBI Group A officials **52**

Cases pending for more than 4 years **23**

3 cases are pending for more than 4 years against Group B & C personnel

Cases pending against Group B & C personnel **19**

All cases till December 2022

Two cases are still pending with the Department of Personnel & Training for final orders while investigation into 50 cases against Group A officers of CBI is in progress at various stages.

Among Group B and C officers of the agency, 19 pending cases are awaiting departmental action as on December 2022. "Out of the 19, 12 remain pending since 1 year and three cases are from four years ago," said the CVC in the report.

It also said that inquiry is in progress in all these cases. The CVC has also said that the CBI has a vacancy for 1,695 posts of various ranks. "The total sanctioned strength of CBI was 7,295 against which 5,600 officials in-position and 1,695 posts lying vacant," the report said.

Besides, 6,841 corruption cases probed by the CBI were pending trials in different courts, 313 of them for more than 20 years, according to the latest annual report of the Central Vigilance Commission.

Though CBI officials are supposed to wind up probe in an year, the CVC analysed that the agency, too, has not been able to complete investigation in hundreds of cases.

SC guidelines for courts on summoning govt officials

SHRUTI KAKKAR @New Delhi

THE Supreme Court on Monday agreed lay down "yardsticks and restraints" that will have to be exercised while summoning government officials. Indicating its intention to pass an order in this regard on Friday, a bench of CJI DY Chandrachud, justices JB Pardiwala and Manoj Mishra said officers should be asked to appear only in cases where there is non-compliance, not in pending matters as an affidavit will do the job in such cases.

"We'll formulate guidelines regarding summoning of officers. We'll also lay down some yardsticks, the restraints that should be exercised in summoning the officers," CJI remarked while considering a plea against the Allahabad High Court order summoning two government officials and ordering their custody.

The bench during the hearing told Solicitor General Tushar Mehta that the court had gone through the draft SOP (standard operating procedure) and there are some points which actually say how judicial review should be exercised.

"We've seen the SOP, some parts of the SOP deal with how judicial review should be exercised," CJI said.

During the hearing, the solicitor general said courts should restrain from summoning chief secretary.

"Some issues that chief secy should come. It's not a matter of ego. But in case finance secy is handling the matter he would know better. What happens is three-fourth officers will have to come. Instead it's more effective for person who is dealing with the file can come," Mehta said. The SOP was submitted against the backdrop of various HC orders summoning government officials to court or contempt proceedings.

The five-page SOP submitted by the solicitor general that aims to create a more conducive environment between judiciary and government suggests for calling the officials only in "exceptional cases" and not as a matter of routine.

"Courts should practice restrain while summoning the officials during hearing of cases including contempt cases. In exceptional circumstances wherein there is no option other than the concerned government official to be present in person in the court, due notice for in-person appearance must be served in advance to such official," the SOP said.

ALSO IN TOP COURT

Petition on Article 370 dismissed
The Supreme Court on Monday dismissed a petition seeking a declaration that abrogation of Article 370 of the Constitution, which bestowed special status on the erstwhile state of Jammu and Kashmir, was constitutionally valid. A bench headed by CJI D Y Chandrachud termed the plea as "misconceived".

'Will not stay Bihar caste survey'
The Supreme Court on Monday told the petitioners challenging the Patna HC order giving the go-ahead to the Bihar government for a caste survey that it will not stay the exercise unless they made out a prima facie case against it. The top court also allowed the Centre, to file its response on the issue within seven days.

Bengal civic body scam: HC order on CBI probe upheld

SHRUTI KAKKAR @New Delhi

THE Supreme Court on Monday upheld the Calcutta High Court order transferring the probe into the West Bengal Municipality Recruitment scam to CBI. The court said the municipality recruitment scam appeared to be linked to the teachers recruitment scam which is also under the scanner of probe agencies (CBI & ED).

A bench of CJI DY Chandrachud, Justices JB Pardiwala and Manoj Mishra remarked that CBIs probe had attained finality in the teacher recruitment scam and even the witnesses had been examined.

A HC bench of Justices Tapabrata Chakraborty and Partha Sarathi while allowing CBI to proceed with the investigation had said that the same could not be scuttled on a purported plea that single judge had no jurisdiction to issue such directions.

TIGER DEATH

A 15-year-old tigress died of cardiac arrest while undergoing treatment at Patna zoo. She was brought to the zoo from Valmiki Tiger Reserve on August 1, the only national park in Bihar's West Champaran district.

02 SMUGGLERS FROM PAKISTAN HELD IN PUNJAB WITH DRUGS

INDIA	Max	Min		Max	Min
Ahmedabad	42	27	Mumbai	35	29
Bhopal	43	28	Panaji	32	28
Jaipur	41	30	Patna	41	27
Amritsar	40	23	Lucknow	42	27
Chennai	39	30	Port Blair	34	28
Kolkata	36	26	Imphal	23	18
Srinagar	18	08	Chandigarh	42	23

OBC votes in mind, Shah lands in Kalyan bastion

In Aligarh, home minister says Ram temple was dream of late UP CM

NAMITA BAJPAI @ Lucknow

IN a bid to accomplish 'Mission 80' in UP in the big battle of 2024, Union home minister Amit Shah along with chief minister Yogi Adityanath on Monday reached out to OBCs while paying tributes to former UP CM late Kalyan Singh, who was a formidable OBC leader.

According to political observers, Mission 80 is not possible without the consolidation of OBCs, the biggest chunk of electorate in the state,

Speaking on the occasion of Kalayn Singh's second death anniversary, marked as 'Hindu Gaurav Divas', Shah said the late leader was asymbol of profound compassion for marginalised and economically disadvantaged sections of the society. While Shah referred to Kalyan Singh as 'Babuji,' Yogi sought to call him the champion of Hindutva.

Both Shah and Yogi appealed to the people of UP to vote for the BJP in all 80 seats during upcoming 2024 polls, which they said would be fitting tribute to late 'Babuji.'

"Let the lotus bloom on all 80 seats in UP in 2024. This will be your tribute to Babuji," said Shah. "Babu Ji worked to uplift marginalized and deprived sections. He was an embodiment of empathy. He never did the politics of caste and never spoke of casteism but worked relentlessly to empower the deprived and downtrodden," he said.

Amit Shah, UP CM Yogi Adityanath and others on the second death anniversary of Kalyan Singh, in Aligarh, on Monday | PTI

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Amit Shah, Home Minister

In the same vein, Shah credited PM Modi of working to empower backward castes by granting constitutional status to the National Commission for Backward Classes. He said the upcoming Ram Temple was the dream of late Kalyan Singh, who, he said, had relinquished power instead of taking action against lakhs of Kar Sewaks who had thronged Ayodhya.

"As calls to act against the devotees (kar sewaks) grew louder, Babuji made a momentous decision – he chose to tender his resignation as Chief Minister rather than order fringing on kar sewaks. It was a gesture which got etched on people's memory forever," said Shah.

Row erupts over Maha minister's 'don't eat pricey onion' comment

SUDHIR SURYAWANSHI @ Mumbai

MAHARASHTRA cabinet minister Dada Bhuse on Monday stirred a controversy saying if people cannot afford to buy the onion, then they should stop eating the kitchen staple for the next 3-4 months.

Lasalgaon onion market, Asia's largest, and other markets in Maharashtra, meanwhile were shut on Monday as traders went on an indefinite strike to protest the Central government decision to impose 40 per cent duty onion exports.

Shiv Sena (Eknath Shinde camp) minister Dada Bhuse said farmers should get decent price for crops. "If some people feel, the present onion prices are high so they should stop eating the onion for next three-four months. If they will not eat onion, nothing will happen to their health also," he said. If people can afford to buy a car, then why not afford to pay the extra for a onion, he said.

NCP leader Jitendra Awhad reacting to Bhuse's remark said the government is incentive tot consumers. Maharashtra Congress president Nana Patole said the BJP government is busy poaching MLAs and not concerned about issues concerning people and farmers.

Ajit ally minister questions Sharad's leadership ability

SUDHIR SURYAWANSHI @ Mumbai

A war of words has escalated between NCP factions. Dilip Walse Patil who belongs to the deputy chief minister Ajit Pawar-led group, stirred a controversy, saying, "Sharad Pawar is a tall leader but he could not single-handedly bring his party to power in Maharashtra like other regional party leaders in West Bengal and Delhi."

Walse Patil later sought to clarify that neither he criticised nor spoke wrongly about Sharad Pawar.

He said Sharad Pawar is a tall leader, but the state has not stood with him solidly.

Then, the Ajit Pawar faction's official handle Xed (formerly Twitter) that Walse Patil has expressed his regrets but remained firm on his statement about senior Pawar that he could not form the government single-handedly in Maharashtra.

The official X handle of Ajit's faction also posted the video of the speech that he gave his faction's first meeting in Bandra. Ajit is heard almost repeating Walse Patil's remark

'Larger conspiracy'

NCP leader Jitendra Awhad reacting to Dilip Walse Patil's statement said there was a larger conspiracy at the national level against Sharad Pawar to reduce his political importance. He alleged Patil has made this statement against Sharad in that context. "Patil became the MLA and a minister and enjoyed the fruits of power. Now, he is criticising Sharad Pawar.

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"Walse Patil became the MLA and a minister for several years and enjoyed the fruits of power. Now, he is criticising Sharad Pawar. The Ajit-led NCP is trying to snatch the NCP that was founded and expanded by Sharad Pawar," Awhad alleged.

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BJP's yatra against hunger, graft and misrule

Jharkhand BJP chief Babulal Marandi is currently on a month-long 'Sankalp Yatra' with a resolution to free the state from "hunger, corruption and misrule" which started from Barhait, the assembly constituency of CM Hemant Soren. Marandi started his Yatra from August 17 from Barhait after paying floral tributes to the statue of martyr Sido-Kanu at Bhogna Dih and holding a public meeting, claiming that the current JMM-Congress-RJD alliance in the state has done "nothing but promoted loot and corruption" in the state. The Yatra will be conducted in five phases.

Tribal film festival at IIM-Ranchi

In order to provide a platform to highlight the cultural identity, wisdom, and alternative perspectives on the development surrounding tribal communities in India, IIM-Ranchi in association with Samvaad — a Tata Steel Foundation will be organizing an Indigenous Film Festival – Samuday Ke Saat on August 26 and 27 in Ranchi. This film festival aims to explore the soul of Jharkhand through the best of tribal cinema. Through the lens of extraordinary films, the film festival will shed light on the multifaceted shades of the indigenous communities in Jharkhand.

Center's nod to relocate villages from PTR area

The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MEFCC), has finally approved the relocation of a village falling under the core area of the Palamu Tiger Reserve (PTR) in Latehar. The letter sent by AIGF states that the ministry has cleared stage two of the relocation of the human habitation from inside the core area of the PTR to outside the tiger reserve quite far away from it. Clearance of stage two is officially seen as the final approval for the relocation of the human habitation. PTR South division Deputy Director Kumar Ashish said PTR has major human and cattle pressure, causing major discomfort and unease to the wildlife.

SC allows rape survivor to end her pregnancy

SHRUTI KAKKAR @ New Delhi

THE Supreme Court on Monday allowed a 25-year-old rape survivor to abort her 27-week foetus, setting aside a Gujarat High Court order rejecting her plea to terminate the pregnancy. Noting that the woman is clinically fit for the procedure, a bench of judges B V Nagarathna and Ujjal Bhuyan said the HC was wrong in refusing to allow the procedure.

Under the law, the upper limit for termination of pregnancy is 24 weeks. "In the context of abortion, the right of dignity entails recognising the competence and authority of every woman to take reproductive decisions," the SC said. "Sexual assault is itself distressing and sexual abuse resulting in pregnancy compounds the injury... such a pregnancy is not a voluntary or mindful," the bench said. The apex court also castigated the HC single-bench for passing a clarificatory order on Saturday, after the SC had taken up the matter for urgent hearing.

The SC said if the foetus is found to be alive, the hospital shall extend all necessary medical assistance including incubation. If it survives, the State shall take steps to ensure the child is adopted.

Murmurs of dissent? Lalu's son Tej Pratap renames Atal Park as Coconut Park

RAMASHANKAR @ Patna

A week after Nitish Kumar paid his tributes to Atal Bihari Vajpayee in Delhi, RJD leader and Bihar forest minister Tej Pratap Yadav has renamed 'Atal Park' in the state capital as 'Coconut Park', raising speculation whether everything was alright in the grand alliance. Nitish was a minister in the Vajpayee government and remembers the strong between them.

Yadav's order to rename Atal Park as Coconut Park has come as a surprise, triggering speculation if everything was okay between the two major allies of the ruling grand alliance in the state — the RJD and JD (U).

There is a statue of Vajpayee in the park, and many say it has to be seen whether the statue is removed after the renaming.

Tej Pratap is the eldest son of RJD chief Lalu Prasad. He inaugurated the renamed park in Kankarbagh locality of the state capital on Monday. Departmental secretary Vandana Preyashi said that the name of the park was Coconut Park when the urban development department had transferred the park to the forest department in 2021.

The park was originally named Coconut Park, and was rechristened after former prime minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee in 2018, sources said. The park's original name has, however, been restored now. Tej Pratap Yadav was scheduled to inaugurate the park on Monday and invitations were sent to VIIPs.

The park was renamed after the former Prime Minister who is the Bharat Ratna award recipient. Renaming was like committing a crime

Nityanand Rai, BJP leader and State Home Minister

BJP MLA Arun Kumar Sinha was also invited to the function for being the local people's representative. Sinha, however, distanced himself from the function citing personal reasons.

Reacting sharply to the renaming, BJP leader and Minister of State for Home Affairs, Nityanand Rai contended that the park was renamed after the former PM who is the Bharat Ratna award recipient. Renaming was like committing a crime, he added.

No Gram Swaraj Abhiyan funds for Gujarat in '22-'23, Lok Sabha told

DILIP SINGH KSHATRIYA @ Ahmedabad

THE Central government has allocated no fund for Gujarat under the revamped Rashtriya Gram Swaraj Abhiyan (RGSA) for 2022-23.

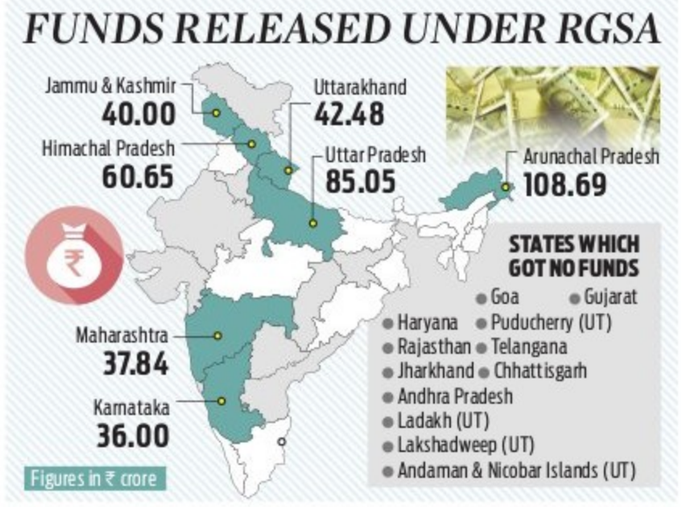
The centrally-sponsored RGSA aims to strengthen capacities of rural local governance institutions in order to deliver on Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

The government says for effective implementation of the scheme, the utilisation of funds is closely monitored by states through meetings.

But Gujarat has not been allocated a single rupee for 2022-23, according to the Centre's reply in the Lok Sabha to a question raised by two MPs.

"There is no case reported in the ministry regarding misuse of the funds." Even then, no funds have been released for Gujarat," it said.

Hemant Kumar Shah, an economist who also has worked on the Panchayati Raj for years said: "If the government has not provided any funds, it directly means that there is no need to build the capacity of Panchayati Raj office bearers in Gujarat. If the government believes this, it's their biggest error."



"This RGSA funds is used to train the Sarpanch and other Panchayat officials. If they are not trained, they will not be able to learn about the law. Even today, out of 14,000 Gram Panchayats in Gujarat, only about 200 Panchayats hold Gram Sabhas fully legalised way, while the rest of the panchayats are just doing paperwork."

Indian National Trade Union Congress (INTUC)'s Gujarat president Naishad Desai, said: "The BJP government's focus is only on cities, and in Gujarat, the government has stopped focusing on villages after 1995."

"If the BJP government in Gujarat is just concerned with expanding the Municipal corporation area and incorporating 40 per cent of the villages, how will the government announce funds to local Sarpanches?"

Sandeep Kumar, the Development Commissioner of Gujarat Government Panchayat, Village Housing, and Village Development, he did not respond to queries.

Absent in I-Day events? J&K officials told to explain

FAYAZ WANI @ Srinagar

AFTER the peaceful conduct of all Independence Day functions in Jammu and Kashmir, administration has sought details of employees who did not attend the I-Day programmes from the departments for necessary "disciplinary action".

Administration Officer with Financial Commissioner Revenue Pawan Kotwal in a circular has directed Divisional Commissioners of Kashmir and Jammu to seek and submit details of the employees of the subordinate offices, who did not attend the August 15 Independence Day ceremony.

The Lt Governor administration had asked the officials and employees to attend their offices on Independence Day for flag hoisting ceremony.

It had warned of action under rules against the employees who remain absent on the day.

"No government employee shall avail leave on Independence Day 2023 except under exceptional circumstances. All employees would invariably participate in the Independence Day celebrations," an official document reads.

J&K Lt Governor Manoj Sinha inspects a guard of honour during the 77th Independence Day celebrations at Bakshi Stadium, in Srinagar on Tuesday | PTI

In another circular issued by one of the government departments, the employees were told that as per the circular of government, all the staff is hereby directed to attend the office on August 15.

"Action warranted against rules shall be taken against those who stay away and remain absent on the day".

The main Independence Day function in J&K was held at Bakshi Stadium in Srinagar, where Lt Governor Manoj Sinha unfurled the tri-colour.

The authorities had also directed the government officials and employees to post selfies with flag, soil and earthen lamp on their Display Pictures on the social media handles on the I-Day.

It was for the first time that the government has come out with such instructions for the government officials.

According to an official spokesman, about 42879 I-Day functions were held across the UT on August 15.

"At the main event on Independence Day held at Bakshi Stadium, Srinagar about 10,000 people were present while at M A Stadium, Jammu attendance of about 11,000 persons was recorded".

"In Jammu region 19,76,255 people participated in 23,163 I-Day functions while in Kashmir 17,08,851 participated in 19,716 I-Day functions," the spokesman said.

'Officials were warned'

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Lunar movement: UP top cop says follow Hindu calender to curb crime

NAMITA BAJPAI @ Lucknow

IN a strange internal circular issued on the eve of Independence Day, UP director general of police (DGP) Vijaya Kumar had directed police officers to use the 'Hindu panchang' (calender) to assess the period, on the basis of the 'lunar movement,' when the probability of criminals becoming active was the most and the gangs were most likely to strike.

The 'panchang' is a lunisolar calendar that has a fortnight starting with the full moon, called the bright phase (*Shukla Paksh*) and a fortnight commencing with no moon, called the dark phase (*krishna Paksha*). During the Shukla Paksha, the nights are bright with the moonlight whereas during the Krishna Paksha, the nights are dark. On no-moon night is pitch dark.

The DGP's August 14 circular with a copy of the 'panchang' attached to it, directed police officers across the state to intensify night patrolling during darker nights (the fortnight having no-moon), as it was the time when these gangs were most expected to strike.

'Amavasya night'

The circular asked the cops to remain on high alert on 'Amavasya (no moon day and the darkest night of the lunar fortnight)' as it was the time when these gangs were most expected to strike. He said the no-moon day would fall on Aug 16, Sept 14 and Oct 14. Officials were asked to remain alert a week before and after these dates.

DGP Vijay Kumar discussed how the to do crime mapping while identifying hot spots. He sought the officials to intensify night patrolling in those areas.

The circular asked the cops to remain on high alert on 'Amavasya (no moon day and the darkest night of the lunar fortnight)' reminding them that the no-moon day would fall on August 16, September 14 and October 14. The DGP asked the officials to remain alert a week before and after these dates.

On DGP's push, an alert has been raised, especially, for dark nights which are the most favourable period of the month for criminal gangs to strike with impunity.

"The public should be aware of the dark period of the month and the cops should also be alive to it in order to intensify their patrolling to the maximum during the darker phase of the month to keep the crime under check depending upon the modus-operandi of such criminal gangs," said the DGP.

Explaining the motive of the motive of the circular asking the cops to follow Panchang to keep a track of the bright and dark phases of lunar movement, DGP said it would help in keeping a close watch on one hand, on the other, people would be alert and active during the darker period. The circular also talked about the safety tips against criminals striking in nights. It said padlocks and a double lock system should be installed at the doors.

PUBLIC NOTICE

My clients **Mr. SEKH SHUKRO ALI,** S/o. S.K.Sohorab Ali & **Mr.S.K.ROFIK ALI,** S/o.S.K.Sohorab Ali are intending to purchase the Property mentioned in the Schedule from 1. Smt. SHYAMALI MAJI, W/o. Late Robin Maji, 2.Mr.DINESH MAJI, S/o. Late Robin Maji, Their family members, financial institutions and the General Public are hereby notified that if anybody has any claims, charges, lien etc., if any in respect of the schedule property may approach the undersigned with documentary proof relied upon within **Five (5) days** from the date of publication of this notice, failing which, my client proceeds to complete the sale transaction.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of Residential Property bearing New No.3, Appurayappa 'A' Lane, Nagarathpet Cross, Bangalore – 02, Corporation BBMP Ward No.47, measuring East to West : 24.4 feet and North to South: 11 feet and another portion East to West 9 Feet, North to South 14 feet, totally 394.4 Square Feet, along with Residential building having Red oxide flooring, jungle wooden doors and windows and basic civic amenities and bounded on the : **East by :** Road, **West by :** Property No.2 belongs to Abdul Azeez, **North by :** Property No.4 belongs to Byrappa, **South by :** Property No.2/2 belongs to Abdul Rasheed.

Sri G. V. VASUDEVA MURTHY, Advocate
No.37/3, 3rd Cross, Cubbonpet, Bangalore-560002

GOVT. OF ODISHA
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CONSTRUCTION ENGINEER
RURAL WORKS CIRCLE: KEONJHAR
Tel. 06766-258301(0), email : se_nerwkjr@rediffmail.com
eProcurement Notice for Road Works under Periodical Maintenance
Identification No. Road Online NCB No. 381
No. 2981 / Date: 19.08.2023 /

O-709

1. Name of the work :- Periodical Maintenance Work in the District of Keonjhar.
2. No. of work :- 01 (One) No.
3. Estimated Cost :- As per Annexure in NIT.
4. Class of contractor (Eligible) :- As per Annexure in NIT.
5. Period of completion :- As per Annexure in NIT.
6. Other details :-

Procurement Officer	Bid Identification No.	Availability of tender On-line for bidding		Last Date & Time of seeking Tender Clarification	Date and Time of Opening of Tender in O/O S.E.N.E.R.W. Circle, Keonjhar	
		From	To		Technical Bid	Financial Bid
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Chief Construction Engineer, Rural Works Circle, Keonjhar	Road Online NCB No.381	Dt.24.08.23 at 11.00 A.M.	Dt.01.09.23 up to 5.00 P.M.	Dt.31.08.23 up to 5.00 P.M.	Dt.02.09.23 at 11.00 A.M.	Will be intimated later

Further details can be seen from the website: www.tendersorissa.gov.in

OIPR- 25177/11/0014/2324 **Sd/- Chief Construction Engineer, R.W. Circle, Keonjhar**

GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CONSTRUCTION ENGINEER,
CENTRAL RURAL WORKS CIRCLE, BHUBANESWAR

No.3937 / Date.18.08.2023

O-702 **"e" Procurement Notice for Road Works**

1.	Name of the Work	:	05 Nos. of Bridge Projects under Biju Setu Yojana
2.	Total No. of works:	:	03 No. of Bridge Projects for the year 2022-23 and 02 Nos. of Bridges for the year 2023-24
3.	Estimated Cost of the work:	:	Varies from Rs.328.06 lakhs to Rs.834.01 lakhs
4.	Class of Contractor	:	
	a)Estimated cost more than Rs. 1.00 Crores up to Rs. 20.00 Crores		A Class (of Odisha PWD) or relevant class of other licensing authorities
	b)Estimated cost more than Rs. 6.00 Crores up to Rs. 50.00 Crores		Special Class (of Odisha PWD) or relevant class of other licensing authorities
5.	Period of completion	:	As mentioned in Column-7 of Annexure
6.	Offered rates by bidder	:	The offered rate by the contractor shall be excluding GST.
7.	Other details	:	

Procurement Officer	Bid Identification No.	Availability of Tender on-line for bidding		Date & Time of opening of tender	
		From	To	Technical Bid	Financial Bid
1	2	3	4	5	6
Chief Construction Engineer, Central Rural Works Circle, Bhubaneswar	Tender-Online-C.C.27 of 2023	24.08.2023 at 11.00 A.M.	08.09.2023 up to 5.00 P.M.	11.09.2023 at 11.00 A.M.	To be intimated lateron

Further details can be seen from the web site www.tendersodisha.gov.in

OIPR-25082/11/0016/2324 Sd/- Chief Construction Engineer, Central Rural Works Circle, Bhubaneswar

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GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA
e-Procurement Notice
OFFICE OF THE ADDITIONAL CHIEF ENGINEER
K B K-II, MINOR IRRIGATION CIRCLE, JEYPORE
sekbkmi2@yahoo.co.in
NATIONAL COMPETITIVE BIDDING
BID ID.NO. ACEKBK-IIMIC -01/2023-24 (Dt.16.08.2023)

A-464: The Additional Chief Engineer, O/o ACE, K.B.K-II, M.I. Circle, Jeypore on behalf of Governor of Odisha invites Percentage Rate Bids in Double Cover System in On-line mode only for Improvement of Mathili (Shiv Sagar) MIP (Res) in Mathili Block of Malkangiri District as per Annexure to this bid notice from the class of eligible contractors as mentioned in Column- 6 (Six). The bid should be submitted online in the web site **www.tendersodisha.gov.in** by eligible contractors.

1.	Name of work	:	Improvement of Mathili (Shiv Sagar) MIP (Res) in Mathili Block of Malkangiri District
2.	Total No. of works	:	01 (One) No.
3.	Estimated cost	:	Approximately **Rs. 455.73 Lakhs.**
4.	Class of Contractor	:	As mentioned against work
5.	Period of completion	:	As mentioned against work
6.	Date and time of availability of Bid Document in portal	:	**From 10.00 AM on 28.08.2023 and upto 5.30 PM on 18.09.2023**
7.	Last date / time for receipt of Bid Document in portal	:	**Upto 5.30 PM on 18.09.2023**
8.	Date / Time of opening of Technical Bid	:	**From 11.00 AM on 22.09.2023 At O/O ACE, K.B.K-II, M.I. Circle, Jeypore.**
9.	Name and Address Officer	:	**Additional Chief Engineer, O/O ACE, K.B.K-II, M.I. Circle, Jayanagar, Jeypore-764005**
10.	Mode of Payment of Bid cost and Bid security.	:	Online

Sd/-
Additional Chief Engineer,
K.B.K-II, M.I.Circle, Jeypore.

OIPR-32512/11/0001/2324

NOTICE REGARDING LOST CERTIFICATE

V.S.T. TILLERS TRACTORS LIMITED (CIN: L34101KA1967PLC001706)
Regd. Office: PB.No. 4801, Mahadevapura Post, Whitefield Road, Bengaluru-560048
Ph: +080-67141111, Email Id: investors@vsttractors.com;
Website: www.vsttractors.com

I, the Shareholder of the Shares given that below mentioned Share Certificates of V.S.T. Tillers Tractors Limited have been reported lost. Any persons having objections in respect of the said shares should communicate to the Company or Registrars with necessary proof within 15 days from the date of this Notice, failing which the Company will proceed to consider the application in our favour and thereafter any objection/s in this matter will not be entertained.

Folio Number	Name of the Shareholder	No. of Shares	Certificate Nos.	Distinctive Nos. From	Distinctive Nos. To
02321	SEJALSHRAMIK MASTURLAL	50	20945	1815811	1815860
		100	20995-20996	1818311	1818410
		100	21069-21070	1822011	1822110
		50	31941	2466291	2466340
		15	39215-39216	2956699	2956713
		50	45004	3372199	3372248
		182	65025-65030	5216794	5216975
		273	80002	8590605	8590877

Name of the Shareholder: SEJAL SHRAMIK MASTURLAL

Place: Bangalore
Date: 19.08.2023

FORM NO.14 [See Regulation 33 (2)]

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-1-BENGALURU
BSNL Building , 4th Floor, Telephone House, Rajbhavan Road, Bangalore-560001

DRC NO: 12649

Canara Bank, Cunningham Road Branch, No.19/7, Maruthi Mansion, Cunningham Road, Bengaluru-560 052. **...Certificate Holder**

Versus

M/s. Precision Technologies & Others **...Defendants/Certified Debtors**

To

1. M/s. Precision Technologies, No.12, IV Cross, V Main, Industrial Town, West of Chord Road, Rajajinagar, Bengaluru - 560 044,
Represented by its Partners: Defendants Nos. 2 to 4
2. Sri. AS.Umashankar, S/o. Late A.S.Sundaram, Are at: No.12, IV Cross, V Main, Industrial Town, West of Chord Road, Rajajinagar, Bengaluru - 560 044.
3. Smt. A.S.Savithri, W/o. Late A.S.Sundaram, No.12, IV Cross, West of Chord Road, Rajajinagar, Bengaluru - 560 044.
4. Sri. N.Sridharan, No.13, 8th 'B' Main, Byraveshwarnagar, Bengaluru-560 079.

DEMAND NOTICE

In view of the Recovery Certificate issued in **OA No. 640/2013** passed by the Hon'ble Presiding Officer DRT, Bangalore **on 26/10/2017** an amount of **Rs.17,81,308/- (Rupees Seventeen Lakhs Eighty One Thousand Three Hundred and Eight Only)** is due against you along with interest and costs from date of filing of O.A.s till realization.
You are hereby called upon to deposit the above sum within 15 days of the receipt of the notice, failing which the recovery shall be made as per rules.
In additions to the sum aforesaid you will be liable to pay:
a) Such interest as is payable for the period commencing immediately after this notice of the execution proceedings.
b) All costs, charges and expenses incurred in respect of the service of this notice and other process that may be taken for recovering the amount due.
Given under my hand and seal of the Tribunal on this **6th day of March, 2017.**

Sd/- RECOVERY OFFICER-I, DRT-I : BENGALURU

Note: Attention is invited to Rule 16 of the Second Schedule of the Income Tax Act 1961 read with recovery of Debts Due to Banks and Financial Institutions Act, 1993 which is reproduced below: **"Rule 16(1)** where a notice has been served on a defaulter under Rule 2, the defaulter or his representative or his representative in interest shall not be competent to mortgage, charge, lease or otherwise deal with any property belonging to him except with the permission of the Debts Recovery Officer, nor shall any civil court issue any process against such property in execution of a decree for the payment of money. 2) Where an attachment has been made under this schedule any private transfer or delivery of the property attached or of any interest therein and any payment to the defaulter of any debt, dividend or other monies contrary to such attachment, shall be void, as against all claims enforceable under the attachment".

ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ರಾಜ್ಯ ರಸ್ತೆ ಸಾರಿಗೆ ನಿಗಮ
ಮಂಗಳೂರು ವಿಭಾಗ, ಮಂಗಳೂರು.

ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ: ಕರಾಸ/ಮಂವಿ/ಸಂ/ವಾ/1230/2022–23 ದಿನಾಂಕ: 21–08–2023

ಇ–ಟೆಂಡರ್/ಸಂಧಾನ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ: 02/2023–24
(ಜಾಹೀರಾತು ಹೋರ್ಡಿಂಗ್ಸ್ / ಗ್ಲೋಸೈನ್ ಬೋರ್ಡ್)
(ಇ–ಟೆಂಡರ್ / ವೈಯಕ್ತಿಕ ಸಂಧಾನ ಮೂಲಕ)

ಕ.ರಾ.ರ.ಸಾ.ನಿಗಮ, ಮಂಗಳೂರು ವಿಭಾಗದ ವ್ಯಾಪ್ತಿಯ ಬಸ್ಸು ನಿಲ್ದಾಣ / ಘಟಕಗಳಲ್ಲಿ / ವಿಭಾಗೀಯ ಕಾರ್ಯಾಗಾರದಲ್ಲಿ ಹೊಸದಾಗಿ / ಖಾಲಿಯಿರುವ ಸ್ಥಳಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಜಾಹೀರಾತು ಹೋರ್ಡಿಂಗ್ಸ್ ಮತ್ತು ಗ್ಲೋಸೈನ್ ಬೋರ್ಡ್, ಸ್ವಾಗತ ಕಮಾನು, ಬೋರ್ಡ್, ಅಳವಡಿಸಿ ಜಾಹೀರಾತು ಪ್ರದರ್ಶಿಸಲು ಪ್ಯಾಕೇಜ್‌ವಾರು ಮಾದರಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಐದು (05) ವರ್ಷದ ಅವಧಿಗೆ ಪರವಾನಿಗೆದಾರರನ್ನು ಆಯ್ಕೆ ಮಾಡಲು ಇ–ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ಮೂಲಕ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಅರ್ಜಿಗಳನ್ನು ಹಾಗೂ ವೈಯಕ್ತಿಕ ಸಂಧಾನ ಆಹ್ವಾನಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ. ಇ–ಟೆಂಡರ್ ದಸ್ತಾವೇಜುಗಳನ್ನು ಇ–ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ವೆಬ್‌ಸೈಟ್: **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** ನಿಂದ ಡೌನ್‌ಲೋಡ್ ಮಾಡಿಕೊಳ್ಳಬಹುದು. ಇ–ಟೆಂಡರ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ಭಾಗವಹಿಸುವವರು ಇ–ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ಸೂಚಿಸಿರುವ ನಿಗದಿತ ದಾಖಲಾತಿಗಳೊಂದಿಗೆ ಆನ್‌ಲೈನ್ ಅರ್ಜಿ ಸಲ್ಲಿಕೆಯ ಕೊನೆಯ **ದಿನಾಂಕ: 11–09–2023 ರಂದು ಸಮಯ 16.00 ಗಂಟೆಯವರೆಗೆ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸುವುದು.** ಇ–ಟೆಂಡರ್ ತೆರೆಯುವ **ದಿನಾಂಕ: 14–09–2023 ರಂದು ಸಮಯ ಬೆಳಿಗ್ಗೆ 10.30 ಗಂಟೆ (ಯಾವುದೇ ತಾಂತ್ರಿಕ ದೋಷವಿಲ್ಲದಿದ್ದಲ್ಲಿ).**

ಸಂಧಾನಕ್ಕೆ ನಿಗದಿಪಡಿಸಿರುವ ಮಳಿಗೆಗಳಿಗೆ ಭಾಗವಹಿಸುವ ಆಸಕ್ತರು ನಿಗದಿತ ಅರ್ಜಿ ಶುಲ್ಕ ಮತ್ತು ಅನ್ವಯಿಸುವ ಜಿಎಸ್‌ಟಿ (ರಾಷ್ಟ್ರೀಕೃತ ಬ್ಯಾಂಕಿನಿಂದ ವಿಭಾಗೀಯ ನಿಯಂತ್ರಣಾಧಿಕಾರಿಯವರ ಪದನಾಮಕ್ಕೆ ಪಡೆದು) ಡಿ.ಡಿ ಮೂಲಕ ಪಾವತಿಸಿ ಅರ್ಜಿಯನ್ನು ಹಾಗೂ ಷರತ್ತು ನಿಬಂಧನೆಗಳನ್ನು ಕಛೇರಿ ವೇಳೆಯಲ್ಲಿ **ದಿನಾಂಕ: 13–09–2023 ರಂದು 15.00 ಗಂಟೆಯವೆರೆಗೆ** ಪಡೆದು **ದಿನಾಂಕ: 14–09–2023 ರಂದು ಸಮಯ ಬೆಳಿಗ್ಗೆ 11.00 ಗಂಟೆಗೆ** ನಿಗದಿಪಡಿಸಿರುವ ವೈಯಕ್ತಿಕ ಸಂಧಾನದಲ್ಲಿ ಭಾಗವಹಿಸಬಹುದಾಗಿರುತ್ತದೆ.

ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ವಿವರಗಳಿಗಾಗಿ **ವಿಭಾಗ ಕಛೇರಿ ಕ.ರಾ.ರ.ಸಾ.ನಿಗಮ, ಮಂಗಳೂರು ವಿಭಾಗ, ಬಿಜ್ಜೈ, ಮಂಗಳೂರು – 575004** ಇಲ್ಲಿ ಕಛೇರಿ ಅವಧಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಸಂಪರ್ಕಿಸಲು ಕೋರಲಾಗಿದೆ. ಸಂಪರ್ಕಿಸುವ ದೂರವಾಣಿ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ: ವಿಭಾಗೀಯ ಸಂಚಾರ ಅಧಿಕಾರಿ – **7760990702** ಮತ್ತು ಸಹಾಯಕ ಸಂಚಾರ ವ್ಯವಸ್ಥಾಪಕರು – **7760990711** ಸಂಪರ್ಕಿಸುವುದು.

ಸಹಿ/– ಹಿರಿಯ ವಿಭಾಗೀಯ ನಿಯಂತ್ರಣಾಧಿಕಾರಿ,
ಕ.ರಾ.ರ.ಸಾ.ನಿಗಮ, ಮಂಗಳೂರು.

ಜಾಸಾಸಂ/ಮಂ.ಪ್ರ/1001/ಅಡ್ವರ್ಟ್/2023–24

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL- II KARNATAKA
4th Floor, Telephone House, Raj Bhavan Road, Bengaluru - 560001

BEFORE THE RECOVERY OFFICER -I, DEBT RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-II, BANGALORE

TRC No.1755/2017 in /OA 576/2015

Between
Karnataka Bank Ltd, Bengaluru -BTM Layout Branch ...Applicant Bank
V/s
Sri. R. Nagaraj and Another ...Defendants
(See Section25 and Section 53 of the Recovery of Debts Due to Banks & Financial Institutions Act 1993 read with II Schedule to the Income Tax Act 1961)

NOTICE FOR SETTING A SALE PROCLAMATION

TO
Sri. R. Nagaraj, S/o Ramaiah, No.234/31, 5th Main, CBI Road, Ganganagara, R.T.Nagara, Bengaluru-32, **Also at:** M/s Vinayaka Traders, No.578, Singapura Main Road, Kuvempunagara, Vidyaranyapura Post, Bengaluru-97
Sri.Dharaneesh R., Son of Rajappa, No.8, 1st Cross M.S. Palya Bengaluru-97.

Whereas in execution of Certificate No.**1755/2017** dated of **5/7/2016 in O.A.No.576/2015** drawn up by the Presiding Officer, Debts Recovery Tribunal, Recovery Tribunal, Bengaluru, the undersigned has ordered the sale of the under mentioned immovable property.
You are hereby informed that 15th day from the date of service of this notice has been fixed for drawing up the proclamation of sale and settling the terms thereof.
You are requested to bring to the notice of the undersigned any encumbrances, charges, claims or liabilities attaching to the said properties or any portion thereof.

SCHEDULE OF PROPERTY

Item No. 1: All that piece and parcel of vacant property bearing Site No. 6, present BBMP Khata No. 8/1E-6, formed in Sy No. 8/1E, converted by the Deputy Commissioner, Bengaluru District vide Official Memorandum No. DIS.ALN.SR.(N)203/91-92, dated 08-07-1992, situated at Herohalli, earlier in the jurisdiction of Yeshwanthpur Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk, presently comes under BBMP Limits, measuring East to West 40 feet and North to South 60 feet, in all 2400 square feet and **bounded on:**
East by: Site No. 7, **West by:** Site No. 5, **North by:** Site No.23 and 24, **South by:** Road
Item No.2: All that piece and parcel of vacant property bearing Site No.7, present BBMP Khata No. 8/1E- 7, formed in Sy. No. 8/1E, converted by the Deputy Commissioner, Bengaluru District vide Official Memorandum No. DIS.ALN.SR.(N) 203/91-92, dated 08-07-1992, situated at Herohalli, earlier in the jurisdiction of Yeshwanthpur Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk, presently comes under BBMP Limits, measuring East to West 40 feet and North to South 60 feet, in all 2400 square feet and **bounded on: East by:** Site No.8, **West by:** Site No.6, **North by:** Site No.22 and 21, **South by:** Road

After clubbing of Item No. 1 and 2 properties:

All that piece and parcel of vacant property bearing Site Nos. 6 and 7, present BBMP Khata No. 8/1E-6 and Khata No: 8/1E-7, both properties formed in Sy No. 8/1E, converted by the Deputy Commissioner, Bengaluru District vide Official Memorandum No. DIS.ALN.SR.(N) 203/91-92, dated 08-07-1992, situated at Herohalli, earlier in the jurisdiction of Yeshwanthpur Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk, presently comes under BBMP Limits, measuring East to West 80 feet and North to South 60 feet, and **bounded on: East by:** Site No.8, **West by:** Site No.5, **North by:** Site No.24, 23, 22 and 21, **South by:** Road.
Given under my hand and seal of the Tribunal, this **4th day of April 2018**

Sd/- Recovery Officer -I
Debts Recovery Tribunal-II, Bangalore

STATE BANK OF INDIA
RACPC SHANKARAPURAM (64063)
No. 13/1, 3rd Floor, Bull Temple Road, Opp. Sri. Ramakrishna Mutt, Basavanagudi, Bangalore-560004. Ph: 080 25943006/007.
Email Id: support.shankarpuram@sbi.co.in

POSSESSION NOTICE Appendix IV (Under Rule 8(1) (For Immovable Property)

Account No: HL-62501727967, TL-62501728803

Whereas, the undersigned being the Authorized officer of the **State Bank of India** under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 (54 OF 2002) and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued a Demand Notice dated **12.06.2023** and calling upon **Borrower/s 1) Sri.Shashi .M** S/o. Sri. Mayanna, **2) Smt. Majula Shashi** W/o. Sri. Shashi .M Both are residing at : No. 11, Nagappa Building, Kanakapura Road, Jetteppa Layout, Yelachenahalli, Bangalore-560078 And also at: No. 02, House List No. 156, Southern Portion, Katha No. 349, Door No. 270, 6th Main, 7th Cross, Kashinagar Circle, Yelachenahalli, Bangalore-560078 to repay the amount mentioned in the notice **Rs. 25,09,408/-** (Rupees Twenty Five Lakhs Nine Thousand Four Hundred and Eight only) as on 11.06.2023 + interest from 12.06.2023 + incidental charges within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrower(s)/mortgager(s) having failed to repay the amount demanded as per Demand Notice, notice is hereby given to the borrower(s)/mortgager(s) and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him / her under Section 13 (4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said Rules on **19.08.2023**

The borrower(s)/mortgager(s) in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the **State Bank of India** for an amount of **Rs. 24,35,582/-** (Rupees Twenty four lakhs thirty five thousand five hundred and eighty two only) as on 17.08.2023 and interest from 18.08.2023 plus expenses thereon.

The borrower's attention is invited to the provisions of Section 13(8) of the Act, in respect of the time available, to redeem the secured assets.

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the Southern Portion of House List No. 156, Property No. 2, BBMP Sl. No. 683, present Khatha No. 349, Carved out of Sy. No. 47, situated at Yelechanahalli Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Earlier in the Jurisdiction of Rajarajeshwarinagar CMC, presently under the jurisdication of BBMP limits, ad-measuring East to West 40 feet and North to South 17½ feet, in all measuring 700 Sq.ft including AC Sheet roofed and cement and brick walls and forest tree Doors & Windows including electricity, water and sanitary facilities with building thereon standing in the name of "Sri. Shashi M" and **bounded on the : East by :** Road, **West by :** Property No.3, **North by :** Remaining portion of the same property, **South by :** Property belong to Sri. M. Srinivas.

Date : 19.08.2023
Place : Bangalore

Sd/-
Authorised Officer and Chief Manager
State Bank of India, RACPC Shankarapuram, Bangalore.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that **DOVETAIL FURNITURE PRIVATE LIMITED,** having its registered office at Block no. 240/B2, Bommasandra Industrial Area, Hosur road, Anekal taluk, Bangalore - 560158, represented herein by its directors namely, **Mr. Subramanian Sundar** and **Mr. Palliath John Mathew** ("**Owner**"), is negotiating with our client ("our Client") to sell the property more particularly described in the schedule below ("**Said Property**").

All persons, entity, firm, institution (corporate or otherwise) claiming any right, title and/or interest, demand and/or any encumbrance of any nature whatsoever, either directly or indirectly, in respect of the Said Property or any part thereof or upon the Owner or its predecessors in title, including but not limited to by way of sale, restructuring, lease, sub-lease, transfer deed, inheritance, agreements, memorandum of understanding, pending litigation, exchange, mortgage, hypothecation, charge, lien, trust, security, possession, easement, attachment, acquisition or otherwise howsoever, are hereby required to make the same known to the undersigned in writing, along with the relevant documents evidencing their right, title and interest respect of the Said Property, within **10 (ten) days** from the date of this notice, failing which the sale of the Said Property will be completed, without any reference to such claim and the same, if any, shall not be entertained nor be binding on our Client and shall be considered as non-existent and /or waived.

Schedule (Description of the Said Property)

Land 1
All that piece and parcel of the land admeasuring 23,095 sq ft of land in Plot 240B of Bommasandra 3rd phase Industrial Area, situated in Sy Nos. 212 and 235 of Bommasandra Village, Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore District and bounded as follows:
On or towards the North by : Plot No. 240A ;
On or towards the South by : Plot No. 240C & passage for remaining portion of Plot No. 240B ;
On or towards the East by : Remaining portion of Plot No. 240B ; and
On or towards the West by : Remaining portion of Plot No. 240B and passage road.

Land 2
All that piece and parcel of the land admeasuring 29,242 sq ft of land in Plot 240B of Bommasandra 3rd phase Industrial Area, situated in Sy Nos. 212 and 235 of Bommasandra Village, Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore District and bounded as follows:
On or towards the North by : Plot No. 240A ;
On or towards the South by : Portion of Plot No. 240C ;
On or towards the East by : KIADB Property ;
On or towards the West by : Remaining portion of Plot No. 240B.

Place : Bangalore, Date : 22.08.23

Preetam D'Souza, Partner,
Kochhar & Co., Advocates and Legal Consultants,
No.201, Prestige Sigma, No.3,
Vittal Mallya Road, Bangalore – 560001.

PUBLIC NOTICE

My client **Smt.Padma** W/o T. Narasimhamurthy R/a. Dandudasa kodigehalli village, Tubagere Hobli, Doddaballapura Taluk confirm resident of the above address
We hereby declare that my client has Lost the below mentioned Original Sale deed whiling carrying to Photostat the Documents, near Dandudasakodigehalli bus stop on 21st August 2023
The Document of title Original Sale deed (Mother deed) to Sy.No.6/2 measuring 30 guntas situated at Dandudasakodigehalli village, Tubagere Hobli, Doddaballapura Taluk, This above Original Sale deed (Mother deed) bearing Document No.345/1967-68 dated 01/05/1967, all are registered in the office of the Sub-Registrar, Doddaballapura, Further Police complaint has been lodged on 21/08/2023 in Online bearing Lost Report. No.0694176/2023 to this effect which has been duly acknowledged. The above Public Notice is now issued. Any person having claim/in possession of the said document may represent to the under signed within 07 days failing which it will be taken that there are no claims.

A.Prashanth, Advocate
No.3755, SAMPRATHI, DESHADAPETE
Doddaballapur Town -561203. Mob : 9916917735

PUBLIC NOTICE

The general public is hereby informed that our clients intends to purchase immoveable property described in the **SCHEDULE** hereunder from its owner, **Mr. POREDDY NARSI REDDY, son of Mr. Matta Reddy, residing at No.985, 1st Main, D-Block, AECS Layout, Bengaluru – 560 037,** for a lawful and valid consideration.
Any person/bank/society/firm/company/institutions / trust / proprietary concern / authority or any other body, having any legally enforceable claims, right, title, interest, ownership on the below mentioned Schedule property, may lodge their objections, claims in writing with the supporting documents with the undersigned within **10 (TEN) days** from the date of issuance of this Public Notice, after which period our client/s shall proceed on the basis that there are no claims of whatsoever with regards to the Schedule property.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

ALL THAT PIECE AND PARCEL of Plot bearing No.C-32 & C-33, vide E- Katha number 150300401200120420, measuring east to west 20.99 & north to south 38.29 meters, in all measuring 803.70 square meters comprising of industrial Factories, (earlier known as Plot No.C-32, V.P. Katha No.3, measuring east to west 21.03 meters & north to south 19.15 meters, total measuring 402.72 square meters and Plot No.C-33, V.P. Katha No.4, measuring north to south 19.14 meters & east to west 20.95 meters, total measuring 400.98 square meters) situated at Chokkahalli Village, Industrial Estate, Hoskote Taluk, Bengaluru Rural District, and bounded on the:-

North by : ROAD;
South by : ROAD;
East by : ROAD;
West by : PLOTS bearing No.C-31 and C-34.

G.S.SRINIVAS,
AJS Advocates,
8, II Main, 9th Cross, Indiranagar I Stage, Benglauru-560 038. Mob. 9845163155
Date: **21/08/2023** Bengaluru

MANGALURU CITY CORPORATION
Lalbagh, M. G. Road, Mangalore – 575 003, Karnataka, INDIA.
Phone: 0824 2220313-18, Fax: 0824 2220310
website: www.mangalorecity.gov.in, Email: commissioner.mcc@gmail.com

IFT No. DMA/2023-24/SE0349/CALL-2 Date: 21/08/2023

TENDER NOTIFICATION

1. Mangaluru City Corporation invites detailed proposals ("the Proposals") for Catching Stray Dogs, Implementing the Animal Birth Control (ABC)/ Anti Rabies Vaccination (ARV) Programme, and Euthanizing the Sick, Rabid & Rogue Dogs in a humane manner. This tender's indent number is DMA/2023-24/SE0349/CALL-2
2. The Request for Proposal (RFP) Document may be downloaded from the e-procurement website www.kppp.karnataka.gov.in under login for Contractors. The transaction fee is non-refundable.
3. Tenders must be electronically submitted (online through the internet) Date & Time are as mentioned in the e-portal. The last date & time of Submission of tender is 04 /09/2023 @5:00 pm, and, Tender Opening will be as per the e-procurement website.
4. For any queries relating to the tender can verify through Health Officer, Health Department, Mangaluru City Corporation, Lalbagh, MG Road, Mangaluru – 575 003.

Sd/- Commissioner
Mangaluru City Corporation

DIPR / MNG / 358/ MPL / 23-24

PUBLIC NOTICE

I, the undersigned advocate on behalf of my clients **Smt. Vijayalakshmamma W/o Late M. Dyavanna** aged about 68 years, Residing at: No-152, Bagaluru Village and post, Jala Hobli, Yelahanka Taluk, Bangalore District. And others have **filed** the above petition for the death certificate of one **late Marappa S/o Munidyavappa, who was died on 26-08-1962** at their residence at: No-152, Bagaluru Village and post, Jala Hobli, Yelahanka Taluk, Bangalore District. If any parties who have objections may dispute regarding the same can appear before the Hon'ble Principal civil Judge and JMFC at Devanahalli and the date of hearing on **26/09/2023. At 11.A.M. in C.Mis. No. 291/2023.**

By Order of the Court, Sd/- Chief Ministerial Officer
Civil Judge & JMFC Court, Devanahalli
Nagesha .H.D, Advocates,

PUBLIC NOTICE

The General public are hereby Notified and informed that, our client **K.S MANJUNATH,** Aged about 33 years, S/o. Late Siddalingaiah. Residing at Kondahalli Village, Kasaba Hobli, Magadi, Magadi Taluk, Ramanagar District-562120, to Purchase the schedule property from **Revamma,** w/o Late P. Rajanna, **Vatsala,** D/o Late P. Rajanna, W/o M.K. Umesh, **Gangamani,** D/o Late P. Rajanna, W/o Gurumurthy, **Ravikumar K.R,** S/o Late P. Rajanna, **Chandra Kumar,** S/o Late P. Rajanna, **Hemalatha,** D/o Late P. Rajanna, W/o Shivakumar N, **Suguna K.R.,** D/o Late P. Rajanna, W/o G. Nanjamariyappa, **Pravithra Kumar,** S/o Late P. Rajanna for valuable consideration. any person(s) claiming any title, right or interest of whatsoever nature over the schedule property is called upon to lodge such claim with undersigned, supporting documents within seven days form the date of this publication. in the event no such claim(s) is received within the stipulated time, it shall be lawful for our client to presume that there are not claim(s) adverse to the above said person's right, title and interest in the schedule Property and proceeds with proposed sale transaction.

SCHEDULE

All that piece & parcel of the agricultural land bearing Sy.No. 63, situated at Doddakarenahalli Village, Kasaba Hobli, Nelamangala Taluk, Bengalooru Rural District, measuring 02 acres 08 guntas., bounded on the:
EAST BY : Land belongs to Sitharam Bhat and canal, **WEST BY :** Remaining portion of the Sy.No.63 in the name of Sowbhagyamma, **NORTH BY :** Survey No.66, **SOUTH BY :** Road.

(B.R. RAMACHANDARA REDDY) Advocate,
#33, 1st Floor, Opp. 10th Cross,
Cubbonpet Main Road, Cubbonpet,
Bengalooru - 560 002. Ph: 974016665

CFM ASSET RECONSTRUCTION PVT. LTD.
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Registered office: CFM Asset Reconstruction Pvt. Ltd,
Block no. A/1003, West Gate, Near YMCA Club, Sur No. 835/1+3, S. G. Highway, Makarba, Ahmedabad-380051 Gujarat.
Corporate office: CFM Asset Reconstruction Pvt. Ltd
1st Floor, Wakefield House, Sprott Rd., Ballard Estate, Mumbai 400038

DEMAND NOTICE

Under Section 13(2) Of Securitization And Reconstruction Of Financial Assets & Enforcement Of Security Interest Act 2002 (Herein After Referred To As The Act)

"Authorized Officer Of CFM-ARC Had Already Issued Demand Notice U/S 13(2) To All Borrower/S /Guarantor/S & Mortgagors Through RPAD Demanding Amount As Mentioned Therein Within 60 Days From Receipt Of The Notice. However, The Said Notice Could Not Be Served Through RPAD To All Recipients, Hence This Publication." Therefore, We Hereby Calling Upon to Repay the Amount Mentioned In The Notice Appended Below To The CFM Asset Reconstruction Pvt. Ltd. (CFM-ARC) Within The Period Of 60 Days From The Date Of This Paper Notification Together With Further Interest And Other Charges From The Date Of Demand Notice Till Payment Or Realization. In Case You Are Not Discharging Your Liabilities Under the Terms Of This Notice, We Shall Be Constrained To Exercise All Or Any One Of The Rights Conferred Under Section 13(4) Or Section 14 Of The Act. "This Is Without Prejudice to Any Rights Available to Us Under the Act And /Or Any Other Law In Force From Time To Time."

Borrower/s & Co-borrower/s Name & Loan Account Number	Demand Notice date / NPA date / Outstanding Amount		Description of the Immovable Property (Mortgaged)
	NPA date (DD/MM/YY)	Outstanding Amount (Rs.) As On	
1. A S BHARDWAJ 2. ANITA BHARDWAJ H09605260219032020, H09605260219032020L, H09605260219032020G	**Demand Notice date:** 18.07.2023 **NPA date :** 04.06.2023	**Rs.21,70,423.18/-** (Rupees Twenty One Lac Seventy Thousand Four Hundred Twenty Three and Eighteen Paise) as on 17-07-2023	**SCHEDULE – I:

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people shot, one fatally, in the same neighbourhood in US over the weekend

GLOBAL WEATHER
LR: Light Rain • HR: Heavy Rain • SW: Snow • TDS: Thundershower • LC: Light Cloud • SNY: Sunny

Beijing	25	23	SNY	Los Angeles	31	21	LC
Colombo	31	26	LC	Melbourne	16	11	HR
Dhaka	35	28	SNY	Moscow	26	15	HR
Dubai	38	31	SNY	New York	29	19	LC
Houston	39	27	SNY	Singapore	32	27	SNY
Istanbul	29	21	SNY	Toronto	23	15	LC
London	22	14	LC	Washington	29	18	SNY

Saudi border guards shot dead hundreds: Report

The killings of migrants began last year, says Human Rights Watch

NEW YORK

SAUDI border guards fired "like rain" on Ethiopian migrants trying to cross into the Gulf kingdom from Yemen, killing hundreds since last year, Human Rights Watch said in a report on Monday.

The allegations, described as "unfounded" by a Saudi government source, point to a significant escalation of abuses along the perilous route from the Horn of Africa to Saudi Arabia, where hundreds of thousands of Ethiopians live.

One 20-year-old woman from Ethiopia's Oromia region, interviewed by HRW, said Saudi border guards opened fire on a group of migrants they had just released from custody.

"They fired on us like rain. When I remember, I cry," she said. "I saw a guy calling for help, he lost both his legs. He was screaming; he was saying, Are you leaving me here? Please don't leave me". We couldn't help him because we were running for our lives."

HRW researcher Nadia Hardman said "Saudi officials are killing hundreds of migrants and asylum seekers in this remote border area out of view of the rest of the world," according to a statement.

"Spending billions buying up professional golf, football clubs, and major entertainment events to improve the Saudi image should not deflect attention from these horrendous crimes."

A Saudi government source told AFP that the allegations were unreliable.

The New York-based group has documented abuses against Ethiopian migrants in Saudi Arabia and Yemen for nearly a decade, but the latest killings appear to be "widespread and systematic" and may amount to crimes against humanity, the rights group said.

Last year, United Nations experts reported "concerning allegations" that "cross-border artillery shelling and small-arms fire by Saudi Arabia security forces killed approximately 430 migrants" in southern Saudi Arabia and Yemen during the first four months of 2022.

In March that year, repatriation of Ethiopians from Saudi Arabia began under an agreement between the two countries. Ethiopia's foreign ministry said 1,00,000 of its citizens were expected to be sent home over several months.

The watchdog report said there was no response to letters it sent to Saudi officials. But the Huthi rebels who control northern Yemen alleged "deliberate killings of immigrants and Yemenis" by guards, in response to a letter from HRW. *AFP*

Shots fired from close range, survivors say

Some survivors described attacks at close range, with Saudi border guards asking Ethiopians "in which limb of their body they would prefer to be shot", the report by Human Rights Watch said

Nurse who killed 7 newborns jailed for life

LONDON

A British nurse was jailed for life on Monday, with no prospect of release, for murdering seven newborn babies and attempting to kill six others while they were in her care.

Lucy Letby, 33, was convicted of killing five baby boys and two baby girls, making her the UK's most prolific child serial killer in modern history.

She was arrested following a string of baby deaths at the neonatal unit of the Countess of Chester Hospital in northwest England between June 2015 and June 2016.

The prosecution said Letby attacked her vulnerable prematurely born victims, often during night shifts, by either injecting them with air, overfeeding them with milk or poisoning them with insulin.

Lucy Letby

"Today's sentence means Letby will never again be able to inflict the suffering she did while working as a neonatal nurse," said Senior Crown Prosecutor Pascale Jones.

Following a trial that started in October, a jury at Manchester Crown Court ended more than 100 hours of deliberations on Friday. Letby was in the dock as the jury returned the first guilty decisions earlier in August. But she refused to come up from the cells for her sentencing on Monday.

"You acted in a way that was completely contrary to the normal human instincts of nurturing and caring for babies," judge James Goss said, addressing Letby in her absence.

He said there was "premeditation, calculation and cunning" in her actions, with a "deep malevolence bordering on sadism".

"You have no remorse," the judge said, ordering her to be given a written copy of the sentencing remarks and the families' victim impact statements.

"There are no mitigating factors." Goss said that "because the seriousness of your offences are exceptionally high, I direct that the early release provisions do not apply".

"The order of the court therefore is a whole life order on each and every offence and you will spend the rest of your life in prison," the judge said. *AP*

ASIA MATTERS

MALAYSIA

U.S. EXPERTS TO PROBE PLANE CRASH

US aviation safety experts on Monday helped search for clues at the site of a Malaysian plane crash near the capital that killed all eight people on board and two on the ground. The Beechcraft Model 390 aircraft exploded into a fireball on impact when it crashed Thursday on a road in Selangor state west of Kuala Lumpur. All eight people on board—six passengers and two flight crew—as well as two motorists on the road were killed. The 12-member US team also flew a drone over the crash site. The plane's cockpit voice recorder (CVR) has been recovered

THAILAND

Q2 GROWTH LOWER THAN EXPECTED

Thailand registered lower than expected economic growth of 1.8% in second quarter. Officials blamed a slowdown in exports, which fell 5.7% year-on-year, for weak pace. The Office of the National Economic and Social Development Council (NESDC) cut its forecast for 2023 to between 2.5 and 3%, citing poor global conditions

INDONESIA

GOVT OFFICIALS TOLD TO WORK FROM HOME

Thousands of public employees in Indonesia's capital, or half of its civil servants, were told to work from home starting Monday in a two-month trial aimed at improving the city's air quality, a government notice said. Jakarta and surrounding cities form a megalopolis of about 30 million people, and its airborne concentration of the tiny particles known as PM 2.5 recently surpassed other heavily polluted cities such as Riyadh, Doha and Lahore. Activists blame the high levels of toxic smog on clusters of factories and coal-fired power plants near the capital

RUSSIA SAYS THWARTED UKRAINE DRONE ATTACKS NEAR MOSCOW

MOSCOW

RUSSIAN officials said on Monday that air defence systems had thwarted several Ukrainian drone attacks near the capital with no casualties reported.

An attempt by Kyiv to carry out an "attack with an aircraft-type unmanned aerial vehicle was foiled" around 6.50 am (0350 GMT), the defence ministry said in a statement.

The drone was "suppressed by means of electronic warfare" and crashed in Pokrovskoye village in the Odintsovo district southwest of the capital, it said, adding there were no casualties.

Another "attack by the Kyiv regime" was thwarted in Istra, northwest of Moscow, it said. It happened at 8:16 am.

The *RIA Novosti* news agency said flights from two international airports, Vnukovo and Domodedovo, were temporarily disrupted and diverted elsewhere. Later, Vladislav Shapsha, the governor of the Kaluga region south of Moscow said air defence systems in his region had fended off a drone attack. *AFP*

Trump threatens to slap reciprocal tax on India

WASHINGTON

FORMER US president Donald Trump has once again raised the issue of high taxes in India on certain American products, in particular the iconic Harley-Davidson motorcycles, and has threatened to slap reciprocal tax if he is voted to power in the 2024 presidential elections.

During his first term as the US president, Trump described India as a 'tariff king' and in May 2019, terminated India's preferential market access—Generalised System of Preferences (GSP)—to the United States alleging India has not given the US 'equitable and reasonable access to its markets.' The former president, who is facing a series of court cases and indictments, is leading the Republican presidential primaries and accounts for more than half of the GOP votes according to major national polls.

In an interview with Larry Kudlow of *Fox Business News*, Trump came down heavily on India's tax rates, which he alleged were quite high. ''The other thing I want to have is a matching tax where, if India charges us—India is very big with tariffs. I mean, I saw it with Harley-Davidson. I was saying, how do you do in a place like India? Oh, no good sir. Why? They have 100% and 150% and 200% tariffs,'' said former president.

''So, I said, so they can sell their Indian motorbike....They can sell that into our country with no tax, no tariff, but when you make a Harley, when you send it over there—because they were doing no business. I said, how come you don't do business with India? The tariff is so high that nobody wants it. But what they want us to do is, they want us to go over and build a plant, and then you have no tariff,'' Trump said.

''If India is charging us too, so what I want to have is a—call it retribution. You could call it whatever you want. If they are charging us, we charge them.'' Trump said. *PTI*

Pheu Thai set to form 11-party coalition govt

Pheu Thai party's prime ministerial candidate Srettha Thavisin (left) and Paetongtarn Shinawatra, daughter of former Thai prime minister Thaksin Shinawat, pose for photo at the Pheu Thai headquarters in Bangkok on Monday | AFP

BANGKOK

THAILAND'S populist Pheu Thai party announced on Monday it plans to form a new government with an 11-party coalition that includes two pro-military parties affiliated with outgoing Prime Minister Prayuth Chan-ocha.

Parliament is expected to confirm the country's 30th prime minister on Tuesday after a three-month stalemate following elections in May. Pheu Thai leader Chonlanan Srikaew said the coalition partners have agreed to nominate real estate tycoon Srettha Thavisin as the new leader. Pheu Thai finished second in the elections but received a chance to form a government after members of the conservative unelected Senate repeatedly blocked the surprise winner, the progressive Move Forward Party. Both houses of Parliament vote together for the prime minister under the military-implemented constitution, in an arrangement designed to protect conservative military-backed rule.

Many Senate members, appointed by a Prayuth-led military government, opposed Move Forward leader Pita Limjaroenrat as prime minister because of his party's call for reform of a law that makes it illegal to defame Thailand's royal family. Critics say the law, which carries a penalty of up to 15 years in prison, has been abused as a political weapon. Senators, like the army, see themselves as guardians of conservative royalist values.

Pheu Thai then excluded Move Forward from its coalition, saying the party's call for a reform of the royal defamation law made it impossible to gather enough support from other parties and the Senate to approve a new prime minister.

The Pheu Thai-led coalition holds 314 seats in the 500-member House of Representatives and needs some support from the Senate to achieve a majority in the combined parliamentary vote. *AP*

Thaksin to return today

Thailand's divisive former premier Thaksin Shinawatra is expected to return to the kingdom on Tuesday, ending 15 years of self-imposed exile. His return threatens fresh instability on the day parliament votes for a new prime minister after three months of political deadlock. Thaksin, 74, is the most influential and controversial politician in recent Thai history, loathed by the pro-military and royalist elites but adored by many in rural areas whose lives were changed by his policies in the early 2000s

EXPRESS READ

Tropical storm brings record rains to California

Los Angeles: Tropical Storm Hilary drenched Southern California from the coast to inland mountains and deserts Sunday evening, prompting rescues from swollen rivers and forcing some of the nation's largest school districts to cancel Monday classes. Millions braced for more flooding and mudslides. The first tropical storm to hit Southern California in 84 years, Hilary brought intensifying rains, with some mountain and desert areas seeing more than half an average year's worth of rain in one day

SMART CITY THIRUVANANTHAPURAM LIMITED
CIN U75302KL2017SGC05027
E-TENDER NOTICE

E-Tenders are invited for the following projects of Smart City Thiruvananthapuram Limited.

Sl. No.	Name of Project	E Tender ID	PAC Amount (Exclusive of GST)	Bid Submission Last Date
Selection of Contractor for Development of Smart Roads in ABD area Under Smart City Mission (Corporation Roads) in Thiruvananthapuram, Kothuval to Sabhapathi Kovil Street (ID 41).				
1	Kothuval to Sabhapathi Kovil Street (ID 41)	2023_SCTLT_550644_3	Rs. 4,57,70,352	25 Aug 2023

Date and Time of Opening Price Bid: To Be Intimated Separately to Technically Qualified Bidders by e-mail. All the RFP documents and details are available on the e-Procurement Website. Bids are only accepted online on the Website https://etenders.kerala.gov.in.

(Sd/-), CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, SMART CITY THIRUVANANTHAPURAM Ltd.

EQUITAS SMALL FINANCE BANK LTD
Formerly Known as Equitas Finance Limited
Regd. Office: No.769, Spencer Plaza, 4th Floor, Phase-II, Anna Salai, Chennai, TN - 600 002. Ph : 044 - 4299 5000 / 044 - 4299 5050

E-AUCTION SALE NOTICE FOR THE SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

Under SARFAESI Act, 2002, r/w Rule 8(6) & 9 of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrowers, Co borrowers and Guarantors that the below described immovable property/ies mortgaged to the Secured creditor, the Physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of Equitas Small Finance Bank Ltd., will be sold on **"AS IS WHERE IS" "AS IS WHAT IS CONDITION"** on **08/09/2023** for recovery of **Rs.1,57,14,349/- (Rupees One Crore Fifty Seven Lakhs Fourteen Thousand Three Hundred and Forty Nine Only)** with further interest from 17/08/2023 due to Equitas Small Finance Bank Ltd., from **1.Ms.RATNA BAI, Proprietor-AVINASH SILKS,** 3rd Floor,No.23, Shubham Mishra Nivas, Sanjeevappa Lane, Cubbonpet Cross, Bangalore - 560 002. **2.Ms.RATNA BAI,** W/o.Uttam Chand, No.3/303, Moudgal Home, No.6, Upper Pipe Lines, P.12/20, Kumara Park, Bangalore - 560 020. **3.Mr.KIRTIKUMAR SHAH,** S/o.Uttamchand Shah, No.3/303, Moudgal Home, No.6, Upper Pipe Lines, P.12/20, Kumara Park, Bangalore - 560 020. **4.Mr.AMIT SHAH,** S/o Mr. Uttamchand Shah No.28/1, 2nd Floor, 2nd Main Road, Near Anand Co-op Bank, Sheshadripuram, Bangalore - 560 020. **5.Mr.UTTAMCHAND SHAH,** S/o.Tarachand Shah No.3/303, Moudgal Home, No.6, Upper Pipe Lines,P.12/20, Kumara Park, Bangalore - 560 020.

Date & Time of E-Auction Sale	08.09.2023 - 2.30 PM to 4.00 PM
Reserve Price	Rs.72,20,000/- (Rupees Seventy Two Lakhs Twenty Thousand Only).
Earnest Money Deposit	Rs.7,22,000/- (Rupees Seven Lakhs Twenty Two Thousand Only).
Multiplier Amount	Rs.10,000/- (to improve the bid offer)
Date & Time of Inspection :	23/08/2023 to 05/09/2023 - 10.00 AM to 04.00 PM. (Contact Nos: Mr.A.Sivashankar – 9884655547 & Mr.PH.Santosh - 9036106264).
Communication Address :	The Authorised Officer (MSME – LEGAL), Equitas Small Finance Bank Ltd., 4th Floor, PHASE – II, No.769, Spencer Plaza, Anna Salai, Chennai - 600 002. (Mob. No.9380696182).

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY

(Residential Property owned by Mrs. Ratna Bai): All that piece and parcel of Apartment No.G-003, Municipal Katha No.6/2, on the Ground Floor, measuring Super Built-up Area of 1130 Square Feet and a Car Parking Area in the Building "Moudgal Homes" along with 531.17 Square Feet undivided right, Title and Interest in Municipal No.06 (Old MI No.51/2 then MI No.64)with the Floors, Ceiling and Walls between units a jointly belonging to such Apartment Owners equally, including Common Area rights and exclusive right to use of open garden space attached to the Apartment. The Construction is of RCC roof, Mosaic Flooring, Steel Window and Sal Wood, situated at Upper Pipe Line Road, Kumarapark West, 1st Main Road, Seshadripuram, Bangalore 560 020 under the jurisdiction of BBMP and the Apartment is bounded by; **Four Corners of the Said Property:-** East by: Upper Pipe Line Road, West by: Capt. B. R. Iyengar's Site, North by: House and Site Old MI No. 51/4 than MI No. 66 and South by: Site and House belongs to Sri. N. Srinivas Iyenger.

1. The interested buyers are advised to go through bank's website **www.equitasbank.com** for detailed terms and conditions. The present notice is also uploaded on the Bank's official website at **www.equitasbank.com/notices.**
2. The auction sale will be 'On line E-Auction' Bidding through website **https://sarfaesi.auctiontiger.net.**

SALE NOTICE TO BORROWERS/CO-BORROWERS/GUARANTORS (Under Rule 8(6) of The Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002).
Notice is hereby given to you to pay the sum as mentioned above before the date fixed for sale failing which the property will be sold under SARFAESI Act, 2002. You are also at liberty to participate in the sale to be held on the terms and conditions thereof including deposit of earnest money or may bring suitable buyers.

Place: Chennai
Date: 19.08.2023
Authorized Officer, Equitas Small Finance Bank Ltd.

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IN THE COURT OF LXXV ADDL., CITY CIVIL AND SESSIONS JUDGE AT BENGALURU
P & SC No. 39/2022 (CCH-76)

BETWEEN : 1. **Sri. Dr. Jacob George**, Aged about 52 years, Presently R/A Flat No: 20, Floor 7, Building 95, Al-Arbeed Towers, Block 1, Old Riggae, Kuwait.
2. **Sri. Mr. John George**, Aged about 48 years, Presently R/A:12148, Winding Hollow lane, Frisco, Dallas, Texas, USA 75033.
3. **Mrs. Dr. Elizabeth George,** Aged about 45 years, Presently R/A No.31, Oakwood hall drive, Rotherham, South Yorkshire, S603AQ England.

Represented by its GPA Holder Sri Kochyil Philip Abraham ...**PETITIONERS**
AND: NIL ...**RESPONDENT**

PUBLIC NOTICE

WHEREAS the petitioners represented by the GPA Holder have made a petition to this court under Section 372 of the Indian Succession Act for the grant of a Succession Certificate in favor of the petitioners, in respect of the Schedule mentioned below. The below-mentioned schedule has been held by Late Mr. George Thundiyil Jacob, father of the Petitioners herein. The father of the petitioners expired on 06/09/2019. Interested parties are hereby called upon to appear in this Court in person or by pleader duly instructed **on 11th September 2023 at 11 a.m.** inform to allow show cause against the Petitioners failing wherein the appearance will be heard and declared as ex-parte.

LIST OF SCHEDULE

1. **SCHEDULE OF SCHEDULE A PROPERTY:** Immovable Property of dry land in Arathupuzha - Panchayat-muri, Aranmula Village, Pathnamthitta District, Kerala (West side of half of "Thundumannu" of total area 69 cents) bearing survey No. 457/11, Area 34.5 cents (13 Aire 96 Sq. mts) ; East by-Mundakam wet land; West by-(Upper level) Kuzhimannu; North by -Field and dry land of Muri-Kethulrattakkalil South by - Mundakan Wet land.
2. **SCHEDULE OF SCHEDULE B PROPERTY:** Residential flat No A17/2 2nd floor- 'A' Block of Vijayakiran Apartments, No. 32/1-38, Victoria Road, Bangalore-560047, consisting of total area of 1050 Sq.ft. and bounded on the – East by - Flat No. A-18/2 of Mr. Victoria gyan; West by- Flat No. A-16/2 of Mr. A. Venkatesh; North by- Flat No. A6/2 of Mr. V.P. Shamshuddin; South by - Common passage to Flat No. A-17/2 and A-16/2
3. **SCHEDULE OF SCHEDULE C PROPERTY:** A residential site measuring 40' x 60' (2400 Sq. ft.) through Gregorian Millenium Association (Regd.) at Room No.2, Cathedral Annexe, 18, Hosur Road, Bangalore-560025. This is a residential layout formed by the said Association, which is about 4 Kms from Chandapura, AnekalTaluk, Bangalore (near the proposed KHB Project "Surya Nagar" and is developed by the promoter GMA.
4. **SCHEDULE OF SCHEDULE D PROPERTY :** That G.T. Jacob held a Savings Bank Account opened in the State Bank of Mysore, P.U.B, Building Branch, M.G. Road, Bangalore vide. S.B Account No. 54014976598
5. **SCHEDULE OF SCHEDULE E PROPERTY:** The Savings Bank Account in the name of Late G.T Jacob held in HDFC bank, M.G Road, Account No. 0761000060146
6. **SCHEDULE OF SCHEDULE F PROPERTY:** The Public Provident Fund held in the State Bank of Mysore, P.U Building, and M.G.Road, Bangalore, bearing A/C No. 54014494223. The PPF is maintained A sum of 3,48,990/- had been accrued in Late G.T. Jacob's Account as on 18.05.2006.
7. **SCHEDULE OF SCHEDULE G PROPERTY:** The mutual funds jointly held with Mrs. Rachel George. The mutual fund is 500 units of face value of Rs.10/- of CANEXPO-94 Folio No. Ex.025091, Certificate No. 237826 to 237830.
8. **SCHEDULE OF SCHEDULE H PROPERTY:** The mutual funds of 5000 units of face value of Rs.10/- of SBI Emerging Business Fund Folio No. 5028646 held in the name of Late G.T. Jacob
9. **SCHEDULE OF SCHEDULE I PROPERTY:** The infrastructure bonds jointly held with Ms.Rachel George, issued by Power Finance Corporation Folio No. 30667, 1000 units and a face value of Rs. 10/- each.
10. **SCHEDULE OF SCHEDULE J PROPERTY:** 10+20= 30 shares of face value Rs.100/- in the Guardian Souharda Sahakari Bank, Infantry Road, Bangalore, vide certificate nos. 2506 and 2507 dated 22.10.1998 with distinctive Nos. R000049853 to 49862, 49863 and 49882.

Given under my hand & seal of the court, this 16th day of August 2023.
By order of the Court, Asst. Registrar, City Civil Court, Bangalore.
Address for Service: Adv. Shreyas N
80,17th C main, 11th Cross, HSR Layout, Sector 4, Bangalore-560102.

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
PANCHAYAT RAJ ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT
INVITATION FOR PROPOSALS

NIT No. 1 to 10 AE/DEEII/FDR(PPP)/2023-24; Dt.18.08.2023
National Competitive Bidding under single stage bidding process for Improvements of Roads in selected Districts grouped in to 10 Packages in Andhra Pradesh through Full Depth Reclamation Technology on BOT (Semi Annuity) Basis.

1. The Panchayat Raj Engineering Department (PR) invites Qualification and Financial proposals from parties interested for the following 10 Packages in the state of Andhra Pradesh through Full Depth Reclamation Technology on BOT (Semi Annuity) Basis. The indicative cost of the project is noted against the work.

Sl. No.	Package No.	Length in Km	Indicative Cost of work in Rs. Cr.
1.	BPT/FDR-01	20.13	15.15
2.	EG/FDR-02	59.43	45.25
3.	EL/FDR-03	53.08	34.32
4.	GT/FDR-04	24.75	16.63
5.	KK/FDR-05	37.99	25.24
6.	KS/FDR-06	747.74	50.02
7.	KR/FDR-07	26.01	18.75
8.	NT/FDR-08	38.22	23.69
9.	PL/FDR-09	64.63	44.99
10.	WG/FDR-10	57.78	39.37

2. The pre bid metting is scheduled to be held on **07.09.2023 at** 11.00 AM (IST) in the chambers of the Chief Engineer, Panchayat Raj (PR), Vijayawada-520010.
3. The last date and time for receipt of Bids through e-tending portal https://eprocure.gov.in is 26.09.2023 at 3.00PM (IST).
4. The Bid Document is available online and can be downloaded free of cost by logging on the link https://eprocure.gov.in **from 25.08.2023, 3.00PM (IST) to 26.09.2023, 3.00PM (IST).** The bids are to be submitted online through the e-procurement portal "https://eprocure.gov.in" only.
5. This is an abridged version of Invitation for Proposals. Full version of this notice is available at https://pred.ap.gov.in.
6. Any further amendements/corrigenda for this notice, if any, will be published only in online. The further amendments/ corrigenda to this notice will be available at https://pred.ap.gov.in, and https://eprocure.gov.in

Sd/- Chief Engineer, Panchayat Raj, Vijayawada
DIPR No.2287PP/CL/ADVT/1/1/2021-22, Dt.21/08/2023

Market Watch

MARKET			GOLD			SILVER		FOREX	
267.43 ▲	Sensex	65,216.09	₹50 ▲	24 carat (10 gm)	₹59,220	Per kg	₹73,300	▼ Dollar	83.10
83.45 ▲	Nifty	19,393.60	₹50 ▲	22 carat (10 gm)	₹54,300	10 gm	₹733	▲ Euro	90.54

JFS STOCK MARKET DEBUT

- 5% — Fall in shares of JFS on the first day on BSE and NSE
- ₹248.90 APIECE — Closing price of JFS shares on Monday on the NSE
- ₹251.75 APIECE — Closing price of JFS shares on Monday on the BSE
- ₹1.70 L CR — Market capitalisation of JFS at a price of ₹251.75 per share.
- JFS HAS EMERGED AS THE THIRD-LARGEST NBFC IN TERMS OF MARKET CAPITALISATION AFTER BAJAJ FINANCE AND BAJAJ FINSERV

The company's shares plunge 5% after listing at ₹265 on Bombay Stock Exchange

Jio Fin hits lower circuit on debut

SACHIN KUMAR @Mumbai

JIO FINANCIAL SERVICES (JFS) made a muted market debut, with its shares falling to the maximum permissible limit on stock exchanges on Monday.

The shares of the financial services arm of Reliance Industries (RIL) were listed at ₹262 per share on the NSE and ₹265 on the BSE but fell 5% later during the day weighed down by selling pressure from institutional investors. The share closed at ₹248.90 apiece on the NSE and at ₹251.75 apiece on the BSE. Its market capitalisation stood at nearly ₹1.70 lakh crore. RIL had last month spun off JFS with the stock price arrived at ₹261.85 in a special trading session held on July 20. Valuation was a major concern for investors as analysts had expected its price to be nearly ₹160-₹190 rupees per share for JFS.

"JFS share listing commenced on a subdued note, mainly due to higher-than-anticipated price discovery. Additionally, mutual fund adjustments might trigger certain outflows," Santosh Meena, head of research at Swastika Investmart, told this newspaper. Lack of clarity about future course of action of JFS is keeping investors jittery. Investors expect RIL Chairman Mukesh Ambani to give more details about JFS during the RIL annual general meeting on August 28. "JFS' valuation is based on expectations surrounding its future growth potential and 6.1% stake it owns in RIL. The future growth prospects of JFS are indeed bright since it can scale up its business with its connection with consumers and merchants," said V K Vijayakumar, chief investment strategist at Geojit Financial Services. "But institutional selling is a drag on the share price in near-term. Since it is in the Trade-for-Trade segment, institutional selling is dragging price down," he added.

At current valuation, JFS is the third-largest NBFC in the country, behind Bajaj Finance and Bajaj Finserv. Analysts are sounding bullish on its medium and long-term prospects. "While the short-term outlook is uncertain due to lack of clarity about business direction and profitability, the long-term outlook remains optimistic, supported by robust pedigree and extensive network- one of the industry's largest," said Meena.

'IBC should be last option for stalled realty projects'

ARSHAD KHAN @New Delhi

THE primary reason for stress in real estate projects is lack of financial viability and this has resulted in cost overruns, project and time delays, said a report released by a committee headed by G20 Sherpa and former CEO of Niti Aayog Amitabh Kant.

The panel has recommended steps to improve the internal rate of return (IRR) of these projects in which it noted that the use of Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code (IBC) for resolving these projects should be a measure of last resort. It said over 30 projects have been resolved under IBC. However, due to the huge backlog of cases with NCLT, this mode of realisation is prone to severe delays.

The panel recommended that IBC needs to be reformed to deal with the complexities of the real estate sector and has suggested the creation of five additional fast-track benches at the National Company Law Tribunal (NCLT) to expedite the cases including real estate cases.

Both financial and operational creditors have to take a haircut under IBC, while the equity of the developers is generally written off. Homebuyers see long delays and uncertainty regarding the possession of their homes. Among other recommendations, the panel has recommended mandatory registration for all real estate projects with RERA. It noted that the prevalent delay in execution of registration/subleases, despite project completion, is largely attributable to instances of builders defaulting on their dues to the relevant authorities. This has adversely affected genuine home buyers who have fulfilled their obligations but are yet to receive their legitimate rights.

"In light of these findings, the panel strongly recommends immediate registration/execution of subleases in favour of these rightful home buyers. This should not be contingent on recovery of dues from the builders. This would benefit nearly 1 lakh home buyers," it said. The panel also recommended that RERA should identify projects where construction projects are substantially completed, yet possession remains undelivered due to varied administrative hurdles on a crash basis for resolution within a period of the next thirty (30) days.

Bank of Baroda withdraws Sunny Deol's bungalow auction notice

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @Mumbai

BANK OF BARODA on Monday withdrew the decision to auction the bungalow of Bollywood actor Sunny Deol in Mumbai due to technical reasons and said that actor has approached the bank to settle dues.

In a public notice on Sunday, the state-owned bank had said it would e-auction 'Sunny Villa' in the Juhu area of the city on September 25.

"The borrower has approached the Bank for settling the dues as per the sale notice published on 20th August'2023, where the borrower/guarantors were notified that they are entitled to redeem the securities by paying the outstanding dues/costs/charges and expenses at any time before the sale is conducted," said spokesperson of the bank.

"Accordingly, the sale notice is withdrawn as per the normal industry practice followed in other cases as well," the spokesperson added.

The Gurdaspur Member of Parliament, whose latest movie Gadar 2 is a box office success having already grossed over ₹300 crore since the release last week, has been in default on a ₹55.99 crore loan from the bank, interest and penalty, since December 2022. As per Sunday's notice, the bank, which has attached the property, had fixed the reserve price for the auction at ₹51.43 crore and an earnest money deposit of ₹5.14 crore.

Apart from Sunny Villa, the 599.44 square metre property also houses Sunny Sounds, which is owned by the Deols, and is the corporate guarantor to the loan, while Sunny's actor-politician father Dharmendra is the personal guarantor of the debt, according to the auction notice.

Byju's senior vice-president Cherian Thomas quits, joins Impending as CEO

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @Bengaluru

EDTECH firm Byju's senior vice-President Cherian Thomas has quit the firm and joined Impending Inc, which is behind apps like Heads Up, Clear, Classics, etc. as its chief executive officer.

Thomas, who has an excellent track record across consumer tech companies, as the CEO of Impending he will focus on building and scaling product portfolio while strengthening and growing a global talent pool, the company said. He had played an integral part in setting up the US operations at Byju's. He was responsible for spearheading the business of Osmo as its CEO, a Byju's subsidiary, with a revenue of over $100 million in FY21. He was the first international employee at Byju's in 2017 and was credited with building international organisation ground up to acquiring firms like Osmo.

Prior to this, he had co-founded and sold a VC-backed startup, Cucumbertown, to Japanese conglomerate Cookpad in 2016. He was also one of the earliest employees at gaming major Zynga. His exit comes at a time when the edtech firm is struggling with multiple issues including term loan B repayment and delay in filing its FY22 results. A couple of days ago, the company had let go of 100 employees as part of a performance review.

Impending is credited with defining UX innovations such as swipe to complete, tilt to change, pinch to insert, flip to change etc.

RBI encourages banks to settle trade in local currency

MONIKA YADAV @New Delhi

THE Reserve Bank of India (RBI) is encouraging banks to promote trade settlement with the UAE in local currency, according to reliable sources.

The move aims to reduce outflow of dollars from India and provide benefits to traders by facilitating trade in local currency. In 2022-2023, India had a trade deficit of $21.62 billion with the UAE, and trading in local currency is seen as an effective strategy to address the outflow of dollars.

A senior banking official said the significance of trading in local currency between India and the UAE, considering the substantial bilateral trade and the presence of a significant number of Indian workers in the UAE. Trading in dollar incurs extra costs for traders who must pay commissions to banks.

"Trading in local currency offers cost advantages over using a third currency like dollar. By promoting local currency trade, India can reduce its reliance on dollar and strengthen value of the rupee. RBI's initiative is expected to have positive implications for India's trade balance and currency stability," he said.

However, the two banking sources denied the reports that RBI is 'nudging' the banks to push for local currency trade with the UAE. They said RBI employs a range of strategies to effectively implement its policies, but not necessarily force them.

India and the UAE had signed a comprehensive economic partnership agreement (CEPA) a year ago to boost merchandise trade between the two countries to $100 billion over the next five years. In March 2023, the trade between India and the UAE saw a significant rise, reaching over $84 billion. This marked a 16% year-on-year rise, despite global trade downturn, as reported by the Ministry of Commerce and Industry (MOCI).

Adani Enters hospitality biz, forms JV firm

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @New Delhi

ADANI AIRPORT HOLDINGS LIMITED (AAHL), a subsidiary of Adani Enterprises, on late Monday said it has incorporated a joint venture company Tabemono True Aromas Private Limited (TTAPL) with Travel Food Services Private Limited (TFS) to mark its entry in the hospitality sector.

The group is one of the largest private airport operators in the country and in the travel related space, it has ticket booking app Adani One. Adani also has stake in ClearTrip. If the group decides to operate hotels, it will mark their entry in the hospitality industry, a sector which is seeing rapid growth after the Covid-19 pandemic.

TTAPL is yet to commence its business operations but the Adani Group has clearly stated that the new entity is incorporated with the object of developing, operating and maintaining various hospitality services and formats at multiple locations. This may also pitch Adani with Tata Group's Indian Hotel Company Limited and FMCG major ITC which is spinning off its hotel business as a separate listed company.

Beside TTAP, Adani Enterprises has incorporated a wholly owned subsidiary namely "Sirius Digitech International Limited" on Monday. This company is incorporated to provide digital solutions and services. Meanwhile, Adani promoter group firm Kempas Trade and Investment Ltd has increased its stake in the group's flagship firm Adani Enterprises from 67.65% to 69.87%, according to a stock exchange filing.

Wockhardt shareholders reject fundraising

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @Mumbai

SHAREHOLDERS of Wockhardt have rejected a proposal to raise Rs 1,600 crore from a promoter entity, according to a regulatory filing.

The board of Mumbai-based drug firm had sought shareholder approval for a related party transaction with Khorakiwala Holdings and Investments (KHIPL) to raise up to ₹1,600 crore for a period of five years. KHIPL, a promoter entity, is an RBI-registered NBFC.

About 50.12% votes came in against the proposal while 49.87% votes polled in favour of the resolution, Wockhardt said in a regulatory filing. In a note, proxy advisory firm IiAS said it had sought approval for the proposal but it was defeated. "Wockhardt's resolution for a related party transaction with KHIPL for an amount up to ₹1,600 crore for a period of five years, was defeated," it noted.

Telecom sector AGR increases 9.52% to ₹64,494 cr YoY in March quarter

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @New Delhi

TELECOM service sector's adjusted gross revenue increased by 9.52% year-on-year (YoY) in the March 2023 quarter, according to the Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI) data released on Monday.

Sequentially, the sector's AGR jumped 2.5% in the quarter. Similarly, gross revenue (GR) and applicable gross revenue (APGR) of the sector is by 3.19% to ₹85,356 and 2.62% to ₹78,631 crore, respectively, in the quarter. The annual growth in GR and APGR over the same quarter in last year has been 11.69% and 11.12%, respectively.

According to the data, the monthly average revenue per user (ARPU) for wireless service increased by 0.83% from ₹141.14 in December quarter to ₹142.32 in March 2023 quarter. On YoY basis, monthly ARPU for wireless service increased by 11.91% in this quarter. Interestingly, the prepaid ARPU per month of telecom operators increased from ₹137.71 to ₹139.63 but Postpaid ARPU decreased from ₹182.30 to ₹173.50 in the quarter.

The data noted that ARPU for private service providers increased by 0.66% from ₹149.84 to ₹150.83 in the quarter while BSNL/MTNL increased by 1.27% from ₹60.11 to ₹60.87 in the quarter.

The licence fee increased from ₹5,031 crore for the quarter ending December 2022 to ₹5,159 crore for the quarter March 2023.

The quarterly and the YoY rate of growth in licence fee are 2.53% and 9.47%, respectively, in this quarter.

According to the Trai, the total wireless subscriber base increased from 1,142.93 million at the end of December 2022 to 1,143.93 million at the end of March 2023, registering a growth rate of 0.09% over the previous quarter.

EXPRESS READ

Aeroflex Industries IPO opens for subscription

NEW DELHI: The initial public offering (IPO) of Aeroflex Industries, a Mumbai-based manufacturer of stainless steel hoses, to open for subscription on Tuesday. The issue of ₹351 crore will close on Thursday. The IPO consists of a fresh issue of ₹162 crore and an offer for sale of ₹189 crore by the promoter group, at a price band of ₹102–108 apiece.Aeroflex shares are trading at a premium of 60. *ENS*

Paytm investing in AI to build software stack

NEW DELHI: Paytm is investing in AI to build artificial general intelligence software stack, founder and chief executive officer Vijay Shekhar Sharma said in the annual report and the fintech firm's commitment to serve the market and build a long-term profitable business. India can expect 500 million payment consumers and 100 million merchants "not very far in future", Sharma said. *PTI*

Attrition to remain low, recruiters cautious on increments: Report

Only 4% recruiters foresee layoffs in Jul-Dec 2023 period

As per the survey, only 4% of recruiters surveyed foresee layoffs or downsizing in July-December 2023 period. Naukri said 92% of recruiters surveyed expected either new or replacement or both hiring forms to happen over next six months and 47% recruiters predicted new and replacement hiring

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @Bengaluru

EMPLOYEES now want to retain their current job positions amidst job market uncertainties as 70% of recruiters expect attrition rates to remain below the 15% level in the coming six months, said Naukri.com in its recent survey on hiring trends.

However, highest attrition rates are expected across Business Development, Marketing, Operations, and HR roles, as well as mid-level experience professionals. Also, as per the survey, only 4% of recruiters surveyed foresee layoffs or downsizing in the July-December 2023 period.

Naukri said that 92% of recruiters surveyed expected either new or replacement or both hiring forms to happen over the next six months and about 47% of the recruiters predicted new and replacement hiring. While 26% expected only new job creation, 20% said they would maintain their headcount in the next six months.

One of the important highlights of the survey is that the majority of recruiters surveyed remained cautious with respect to increments offered by their organisations during the last appraisal cycle, with 42% of recruiters saying that their companies gave less than 10% increment and 31% of recruiters revealing that their organisations gave increments in between 10-15%. Only 6% of recruiters surveyed said that more than 30% increments were rolled out in the last appraisal cycle.

Campus hiring will go ahead as per current plans. Most recruiters surveyed foresee Business Development, Marketing, and Operation roles to be leading hiring in the coming six months. Mid-experience professionals were expected to remain in demand, followed by entry-level professionals, the survey added.

Pawan Goyal, Chief Business Officer at Naukri.com, said, "With 92% of recruiters forecasting hiring activity, coupled with a return to normalcy in hiring practices anticipated by more than half of the recruiters surveyed, hiring outlook survey manifests an optimistic white-collar hiring landscape in the forthcoming half of 2023."

Gruner to set up 100 bio-CNG plant in FY24 across country

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @New Delhi

GRUNER RENEWABLE ENERGY (GRE), a start-up in the renewable sector, will set up 100 bio CNG plants across India, with a target turnover of ₹1,000 crore by the end of this fiscal.

The company recently collaborated with BioEnergy Germany, a German company that provides technology and engineering design for biomass-based gas plants, and so far it has received 42 project orders to establish bio gas plants in the country.

"We have so far secured 42 firm contracts for building biogas plants and many more are in the offing," said Utkarsh Gupta, founder and CEO of Gruner Renewable.

India aims to build 5,000 commercial units and create 15 MMT of CBG (Compressed Biogas) by 2024–2025. At the Global Conference on Compressed Biogas (CBG) held in April, petroleum minister Hardeep Singh Puri said India has set a target to increase the share of gas in energy mix up to 15% by 2030 to transform India into a gas-based. Currently, it imports nearly half the natural gas used in India. Recently, the company announced the first Napier grass bio CNG plant in the country.

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AUCTION CANCELLATION

Reference to the E-auction sale notice dated 12.07.2023 and its paper publication in The New Indian Express on 15.07.2023 pertaining to **M/s Texture Enterprises** (Tender No: **SBI/SARB/ASJ/2023-24/916)** which is scheduled on **23.08.2023** has been cancelled.

21.08.2023 Bangalore — **Sd/- Authorised Officer**

Government of Karnataka
Office of the Deputy Commissioner, Chitradurga
Phone no:08194-222538 Email:deo.chitradurga2@gmail.com

No: AJSK:CR:11/2023-24, Date:19-08-2023.

:: Short term tender through E-procurement ::

A short term tender for appointment of Data Entry Operators at Atalji Janasnehe Kendra in Chitradurga District through registered outsource agencies is call on 19-8-2023 in the E-portal (Tender No DMA/2023-24/SE0635). Last date for submission of application is on 28-08-2023 up to 4.00PM. For further details visit https:/kppp.karnataka.gov.in. 1)Commencement of issue of bid documents Date:19-08-2023.2)Last date and time for uploading in e-procurement portal Date:28-08-2023 4.00 PM.3)Estimated Amount Rs.1.32 Crore.4)E.M.D Rs.2.00 Lakhs

DIPR/CTA/KSMCA/1592022-23 — Sd/- Project Director DUDC, Chitradurga

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PUBLIC NOTICE

To General Public informs that my client namely, **A.NANJE GOWDA** S/o. Late, Ashwathaiah, Aged about 47 years. Residing at No.91, Avalahalli, village, Yelahanka Hobli, and Taluk, Bengaluru- 560 064, my client is the absolute owner and in possession in respect of site No. 7. Yelahanka Municipal Katha No. 35/74/7 and site No.7A. Yelahanka Municipal Katha No. 20/18/7A, situated at Chikkabommasandra village.(Someshwara Nagara), Yelahanka Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk presently Yelahanka Taluk, Now comes under BBMP limit, Bengaluru and he had purchased the same by his vendor namely M.T. Nenge Gowda S/o Timmaiah through a registered sale deed dated 02.06.2004,

My client traveling in BMTC bus from Yelahanka to Avalahalli at about 12. am, on 19.02.2022 at time he lost the Original **Sale deed dated 02.06.2004** and same was same was **registered as Book No. 1, document No. YAN-1-04373/2004-05, stored on CD No. YAND-53, dated 02.06.2004, registered before Yelahanka Sub-Register office, Yelahanka, Bengaluru.** On the same day my client had lodge complaint before the Rjanakunte police station, the said police have issued Acknowledgment/ lost report No. **report No. 0163051/2022. Dated. 19.02.2022**

Hence,General Public or Finders please contact the below address.

K. B. GOPALA. Advocate
Kodagalahatti Village, Hunsamaranahalli Post, Jala Hobli, Yelahanka Taluk, Bangalore-562157,
Ph: 9964208680, 9845755530

PUBLIC NOTICE

My client has entered into an Agreement to purchase the below mentioned schedule property from **Ms. Rajani Rao W/o. N. Sathish,** aged about 49 years, residing at No. 150A, Adarsh Vista, Basavanagar Main Road, Bengaluru-560008.

Any person/persons asserting any rights, title claim or interest in the schedule property or any part thereof, in any manner or having any claim against the schedule property or the documents thereof or against the owners or objecting to alienation in favour of my client should write to the under signed ***within 15 (Fifteen) days*** of the issuance of this Public notice with all documentary proof on which they are basing and asserting their rights with regards to the schedule property or any part thereof, after which period my client shall proceed on the basis that there are no claims of whatsoever nature with regards to the schedule property.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

ALL THAT piece and parcel of the **vacant site bearing No. 361, Old CMC Katha No. 329/13-361, presently within Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike Katha No. 329/13/361 of "PENN FIELD GARDENS"** situated at **Srirampura Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, measuring East to West: 50 feet, and North to South: 40 feet, totally measuring 2000 Square feet.** and bounded on:

East by: Road, **West by:** Site No. 410
North by: Site No. 360, **South by:** Site No. 362

Sd/-
Kiran S, Advocate,
No. 23, J. A. Building, Ist Main, Seshadripuram, Bangalore-560020

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the General public that, my client **Mr. Sajjid Aga Ali** is intend and interested to purchase the schedule property from its owner **Sri. P. Subramanyam S/o. Late P Sriramulu**, residing at No.10, Thambu Chetty Road, Cox Town, Bangalore, if any person/s have any manner of lawful right, Interest or charge or lien over the schedule property, they are hereby requested to file their objection/s in writing along with photocopies of the documents on which they are relaying, to the proposed sale transaction with the undersigned within seven days of this public notice. Objection received thereafter will not be binding on my client.

SCHEDULE

All the piece and parcel of the entire residential property bearing Municipal No.772 (earlier BDA No.772), situated at Fourteenth Cross, J P Nagar First Phase, Bangalore ward No.178 (old ward No.57), PID No.57-49-772, together with structures standing thereon and bounded on the :

East by : Road;
West by : Property bearing No.771;
North by : Road
South by : Property bearing No.773;
Measuring: East to West : 10 mtrs.,
North to South: 18.03 mtrs.,
In all ad measuring 183 sq.mtrs.,

N S SATYANARAYANA GUPTA
K S NAYAK, N S RACHANA
N C JANARDHAN
Rachana Law Associates, "Lakshmideep", I Floor, No:2980, 17th Cross, Banashankari II Stage, BANGALORE – 560 070;
PH : 9731333880 Dt:21-08-2023

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public are hereby informed that my clients, **SMT. V.R. SOWJANYA** W/o Sri. G. Sivaram and **SMT. B. KALPANA,** W/o Sri. B. Narendra Babu, intends to purchase the Property described in the schedule hereunder from **Sri . CHARAN. G @ CHARAN KUMAR**, S/o Sri. Govindaraju. R, agedabout 39 years, Residing at No.39/1, 7th Cross, New Baiyappanahalli, Indiranagar, Bangalore – 560 038, who represents that he is the absolute owner in possession of the said schedule property acquired by him under the registered Gift deed dated: 13/10/2016.

Any person/s having any valid, tenable, legal objections/ claims/ right, title and interest in on upon the said schedule property to the said sale conveyance of the schedule property is/ are hereby noticed to lodge their claim in writing, with documentary proof thereof, within a period of **7 days** from the date of this publication to the undersigned, failing which the sale shall be proceeded with as though none have any manner of right, title or interest, nor any legal claim/ objections in respect of the said schedule property described below.

SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of Property bearing No. 50/2, Situated at Avalahalli Village, Bidarahalli Hobli, formerly Bangalore South Taluk, now Bangalore East Taluk, Bangalore, measuring East to West 72 feet, and North to South 23 feet, totally measuring 1656 Sq. feet.,together with RCC roofed building thereon, with all civic amenities and bounded on:

East by : Property belonging to Mr. Railway Munishamappa,
West by : Road,
North by : Property belonging to Mr. Anne Gowda,
South by: Property belonging to Mr. Radhaiah.

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Noble Law Associates, Advocates, No.76, Rangarao Road, Shankar Pura, Basavanagudi, Bangalore -560004. Ph: 9880299441.
E-Mail: maheshgowda.5373@gmai.com

PUBLIC NOTICE

My client intends to purchase the below mentioned schedule property from **Sri. J. Deekshit S/o. B. Jayaram,** residing at No. 3, 34th Cross, Jooganahalli, Rajajinagar 2nd Stage, Bengaluru-560010.

Any person/persons asserting any rights, title claim or interest in the schedule property or any part thereof, in any manner or having any claim against the schedule property or the documents thereof or against the owners or objecting to alienation in favour of my client should write to the under signed ***within 15 (Fifteen) days*** of the issuance of this Public notice with all documentary proof on which they are basing and asserting their rights with regards to the schedule property or any part thereof, after which period my client shall proceed on the basis that there are no claims of whatsoever nature with regards to the schedule property.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that part and parcel of **residential property bearing No. 98, Assessment No. 42, within Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike Ward No. 38, situated at Nagarabhavi Village, Yashwanthapura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore, measuring East to West 15 Feet and North to South 50 Feet totally 750 Sq. Ft.** along with building having RCC roof, Mosaic flooring and doors & windows are of Saal wood, having total built up area of 1040 Sq. Feet and bounded on:

East by: Remaining portion of same Property bearing No. 98 belonging to C. Mallikarjunaiah.
West by: Property belongs to Javaregowda
North by: Road.
South by: Property belongs to Jayamma.

Sd/-
S. Vinod, Advocate,
V & V Law Office
Advocates & Legal Consultants
No. 23, J. A. Building, Ist Main, Seshadripuram, Bangalore-560020

PUBLIC NOTICE

Whereas Smt.Rajamma W/o late. Narayanaswamy, Ramesh.N S/o late. Narayanaswamy and Shashikala.N D/o late.Narayanaswamy all residence of Somathanahalli Village, Channenayapatna Hobli, Devanahalli Taluk,Bangalore Rural District, the petitioners in the above case filed the above petition seeking for death certificate of **Late.Narayanaswamy S/o Late.Chikkamyilarappa** who the husband of petitioner No.1 and father of petitioner No.2 & 3 expired on **07.06.2021** at their residence of if any of the third parties having claim or dispute with regard to death certificate of Narayanaswamy S/o Chikkamyilarappa may do so by appearing before the Hon'ble Principal Civil Judge Court at Devanahalli on **19/09/202 in C.Mis.306/2023, with documents.**

By Order of the Court, Sd/- Chief Ministerial Officer
Civil Judge & JMFC Court, Devanahalli
Sri Chetankumar.S, Advocates,

SOUTH WESTERN RAILWAY G2

E-Tender Notice No. CN/06/2023
Dated: 17-08-2023

The undersigned, on behalf of the President of India, Invites E-Tenders for the following works:

Sl. 1	Description in Brief
	3 core X 240 Sq.mm 6.35/11 KV Grade 90 Deg. Crating heavy duty power cable etc. **(Qty. 2000 Mtrs.) (Tender No. 95235381)**
Sl. 2	Multi Section Digital Axle Counter (MSDAC) complete system as per RDSO Specification No. RDSO/SPN/176/2013 version 3 etc., **(Qty. 01 Set) (Tender No. 95235417).**

Last date for submission of bids:
Upto 10:30 Hrs. on 11-09-2023
For details log on:www.ireps.gov.in

Chief Materials Manager/Construction
PUB/316/AAD/PRB/SWR/2023-24 **Bengaluru Cantt**
S.W.Railways SWRRLY SWRRLY

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the general public that my client intend to purchase the below mentioned Schedule Property from its lawful owner viz., **SRI.VAJRAPPA,** aged about 41years, S/o.Late.Yellappa,residing at Choodasandra Village, Huskur Post, Anekal Taluk, Bengaluru-560099. The Owner represent that he is the absolute owner and have good marketable right, title and interest therein and there are no other persons have any right or claim over the Schedule Property.

Any person or persons, Banks, Financial institutions etc., having any valid right, title interest or any claim over the Schedule Property or any portions of it in any manner may with documentary evidence lodge their objection/claim/s within **7 days** from the date of this public notice with the undersigned, if no valid objections are received within the stipulated date, my client shall proceed on the basis that there are no claims of whatsoever nature with regard to the Schedule Property.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of lands bearing Sy No.110/4 measuring 1 acre 17 guntas and Sy No.110/5 measuring 38 guntas in all measuring 2 acres 15 guntas Situated at Neriga Village, Sarjapur Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bengaluru Urban District, and bounded on:

EAST BY : Road
WEST BY : Remaining Land in Sy No.110/5
NORTH BY: Akkayyaguru Krishnappa Land
SOUTH BY: Narayanareddy and Muniyappa's Land

SD/- **K.VENKATA SUDHEER**, ADVOCATE NO.548/51/1, 1ST FLOOR GARUTHMAN PARK, ANDAL TEMPLE STREET (BEHIND R.V.TEACHER'S COLLEGE) R.V.ROAD, BASAVANAGUDI, BANGALORE – 560 004 MOBILE: 9845682098

PUBLIC NOTICE

BEFORE THE CITY CIVIL AND SESSIONS JUDGE AT BANGALORE
O.S No. 1978/2022

Plaintiff: Smt. Renu Singh, W/o Mr. Bikram Prasad Singh, R/at No: 30, Defence Residency, kattigenahalli, Bagalur Main Road, Yelahanka, Bangalore-560064.

Defendant: Sri. Bikram Prasad Singh alias B P Singh

SUMMONS TO DEFENDANT No.1 BY WAY OF PAPER PUBLICATION

To: Defendant No.1) Sri. Bikram Prasad Singh alias B P Singh, S/o Late Chakradhar Prasad Singh, Aged about 56 Years, No.14 and 15, Defence Residency, kattigenahalli, Bagalur Main Road, Yelahanka, Bangalore-560064.

WHEREAS the above named Plaintiff has instituted a suit against you in O.S No.1978/2022 to declare the Loan agreement dated 30.11.2017 between you and Defendant No.2 and the Memorandum of Entry for Deposit of Title Deed dated 30.11.2017 as not binding on the Plaintiff, and also seeking a Permanent Prohibitory Injunction against Defendant No. 1 & 2.

You are hereby summoned to appear before the Hon'ble City Civil and Sessions Judge, CCH-67, at Bangalore at **11.00 AM on 27.09.2023** in person or through advocate/pleader to answer the questions to the same. Failing which the case will be heard and determined ex-parte.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of Property bearing Site No.14, in Sy No.40/4, Situated at Geddlahalli, Kasaba Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore, present Municipal Khata No.14, PID No.99-142-14, 3rd Cross, Ashwathnagar, BBMP Ward No.99, and together with 3 square ACC sheet house with red oxide flooring, with water and power connection, and bounded on the: **East by :** Private Property, **West by :** Road, **North by :** Site No.13, **South by :** Road then private property.

Given under my hand and seal of this court, on this the 19.06.2023.

BY ORDER OF THE COURT, Ass't Registrar, City Civi Court, Bengaluru

Advocate for Petitioner
A & P ADVOCATES,
No.#28, 1st Floor, Vasanthnagar, Bengaluru-52. Ph: 9902025246.

SOUTH WESTERN RAILWAY G2

E-TENDER NOTICE No. BE-29-2023-24-OT-14

The undersigned, on behalf of the President of India, Invites E-Tenders for the following work:

Description of work	Approx. Value
Automation of pumping Installations over Bengaluru Division and Electrical Arrangements for Construction of RCC OHT with GLR 1 Lakh litre capacity each and Pump House at Kuppam.	Rs. 56.11,116/-

Last date for submission of bids:
Upto 11:00 Hrs. on 08-09-2023
For details log on: www.ireps.gov.in

Senior Divisional Electrical Engineer
PUB/313/AAD/PRB/SWR/2023-24 Bengaluru
S.W.Railways SWRRLY SWRRLY

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is information to the General Public that our client **SRI.MAMTHA AGARA VENKATARAMANAPPA**, Wife of Sri.Raju.K.S., residing at No.174/A, Chodeshwari Nilaya,1st Main, Near Venkateshwara Temple, Agara, HSR Layout, BENGALURU-560102, is intending to purchase the Schedule Property from **SRI.R.VAMSI KRISHNA**, Son of Sri.R.Haribabu, residing at No.361,2nd Floor, 25th 'A' Main, 2nd Sector, HSR Layout, BENGALURU-560102

Any person/s, firms, institutions, brokers, agents, or any other body having or claim in any manner or right, title, claim, lien or interest in the Schedule Property may intimate the same in writing to the undersigned along with documentary evidence in support of their claim within 07 days from the date of this notification, failing which, our client will be advised to proceed with the conveyance as if no valid claims are subsisting against the Schedule Property.

SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the **SOUTHERN** portion of corner BDA Site bearing Site No.**2120,** situated at **HSR LAYOUT, SECTOR-1,** a Layout formed by the **BANGALORE DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY, BANGALORE,** measuring East to West: 12.19 Meters and North to South towards Eastern side: 6.80 Meters and North to South towards Western side: 7.50 totally measuring 87.16 Square Meters or 937.8 Square feet and now coming under BBMP jurisdiction, it has issued Khatha No.1728/2120, and bounded on:

East by : Site No.2119,
West by : Road,
North by : Remaining portion of same property site No.2120 belongs to R.Srinivasa Reddy & Mrs.K.K.Manjula
South by : Road,

C L & ASSOCIATES,
N.GANESH, E.SURESH, HANUMANTHA REDDY.Y, MUKESH.T.M, ADVOCATES, No.82, 2nd Floor, 'BDA Shopping Complex' 6th Sector, HSR Layout, Bangalore-560102. (M) 9448878859 & 9481606019.
e- mail: ganigamini123@gmail.com

BEFORE THE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-II, BENGALURU

4th Floor, Telephone House Building, Raj Bhavan Road, Bengaluru - 560 001.

O.A.NO.1158/2021

BETWEEN
Canara Bank, Kumbalgod Branch, Survey No.24/12, No.236, II Block, Kumbalgod, Bengaluru - 560 074
... Applicant

AND
M/s Global Trade Wings & others
... Defendants

SUMMONS ISSUED TO DEFENDANT Nos.1 & 2 UNDER RULE 23 (VIII) OF THE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL (PROCEDURE) RULES OF 1993 BY PAPER PUBLICATION

To,

1. M/s Global Trade Wings, Represented by its Proprietrix Sri Syed Safee Ulla, No.260, 2nd Cross, KSRTC Layout J.P. Nagar 2nd Phase, Bengaluru-560 078.

2. Sri Syed Shafee Ulla, S/o Syed Yakoob, No.12A, M Vinpack Compound, KIADB Industrial Area, Bengaluru - 560 074.

WHEREAS the Applicant has instituted an application under section 19 of Recovery of Debts and Bankruptcy Act, 1993 against the above defendants for recovery of a sum of **Rs.44,01,392.17 (Rupees Forty Four Lakhs One Thousand Three Hundred Ninety Two and Paise Seventeen Only)** amount together with current and future interest, cost and other reliefs.

Take notice that you are hereby required to show cause within 30 days of service of summons through Paper Publication on **27/11/2023 at 10.30 A.M.** in person or by a Pleader / Advocate duly instructed as to why the relief's prayed for should not be granted. Take notice that in case default the application will be heard and determined in your absence.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Tribunal on this **08 day of August 2023.**

By order of the Tribunal
Sd/- Registrar
Debts Recovery Tribunal-II, Bengaluru

BEFORE THE HON'BLE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

(Ordinary Original Civil Jurisdiction) (Commercial Division)

Arbitration OP No.323 of 2023

M/s.Samunnati Financial Intermediation & Services Pvt.Ltd, having its office at Chennai – 600 041.
... Claimant

Versus

1. **M/s Upsouth Cloud Kitchens Pvt.Ltd,** No.14, Brunton Road Bangalore, Karnataka – 560 025
2. **Mr.R.Venkata Rajendran,** No.14, Brunton Road, Bangalore, Karnataka – 560 025
3. **Mr.Vijay Abhimanyu R.,** No.14, Brunton Road, Bangalore, Karnataka – 560 025
4. **M/s Billion Smiles Hospitality Pvt.Ltd,** SNS Arcade, Old Airport Road, Bangalore, Karnataka – 560017.

... Respondents

NOTICE TO RESPONDENTS 1 TO 4 THROUGH SUBSTITUTED SERVICE

1. **M/s Upsouth Cloud Kitchens Pvt.Ltd,** No.14, Brunton Road Richmond Town, Bangalore, Karnataka – 560 025
2. **Mr.R.Venkata Rajendran,** Son of Mr.P.Raghunathan, No.14, Brunton Road, Richmond Town, Bangalore, Karnataka – 560 025
3. **Mr.Vijay Abhimanyu R.,** Son of Mr.Venkata Rajendran, No.14, Brunton Road, Richmond Town, Bangalore, Karnataka – 560 025
4. **M/s Billion Smiles Hospitality Pvt.Ltd,** B-2, Basement Floor, SNS Arcade, Old Airport Road Bangalore, Karnataka – 560 017

Sirs,

Please take notice that since the private notice taken on you in the above **Arbitration O.P (Comm.Div) No.323 of 2023** for the hearing **11.08.2023,** in pursuance to order dated **24.07.2023** passed by His Lordship **Hon'ble Justice Mr.Abdul Quddhose** had been returned unserved, the **Hon'ble High Court vide proceedings dated 11.08.2023** has ordered notice through substituted service by way of effecting publication in one issue of any Vernacular Daily having wide circulation in the state of Karnataka and accordingly the petitioner is effecting this substituted service.

Hence, please take notice that the above **Arbitration O.P (Comm.Div) No.323 of 2023** is coming up for hearing before the **Hon'ble High Court of Judicature at Madras on 15.09.2023** and accordingly the 1st to 4th of you are hereby jointly and severally called upon to be present before the Hon'ble High Court of Judicature at Madras, either in person or through your counsel on **15.09.2023 at 10.30 am** at the time of the hearing of the above OP, failing which the matter will be heard in your absence and decided on merits.

R.Umasuthan
Counsel for Petitioner

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NOTICE INVITING TENDER

Tender No.	Description of work	Due date
232413 003518	Felling & Transportation of debarked Eucalyptus pulpwood and Acacia Mangium & Acacia auriculiformis pulpwood from KFDC to TNPL Unit - I at Kagithapuram, Karur District, Tamilnadu.	29.08.2023

Corrigendum if any will be issued in TNPL Website only. Detailed requirements, Period, Terms & conditions, Tender fee, EMD, etc., are available in tender document at out website: **www.tnpl.com**

DIPR/4630/Tender/2023 — *TNPL - Maker of bagasse based eco-friendly Paper*

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KARNATAKA POWER CORPORATION LIMITED

(VARAHI HYDRO ELECTRIC PROJECT)
CIN : U85110KA1970SGC001919

ABSTRACT BID NOTIFICATION

(Two Cover System) (Through Karnataka Public Procurement Portal only)

KPCL invites bids through e-procurement Website: **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** for the following works.

1). **KPCL/2023-24/PS/WORK_INDENT75/CALL-3, Dated: 16.08.2023,** for Annual Maintenance Works of 4 Nos. of 115MW Generators serving at Varahi Under Ground Power House. 2). **KPCL/2023-24/IND0009/CALL-2, Dated: 16.08.2023,** for Supply of Various types of valves & other hardwares for VHEP. EMD: **Rs. 28,050/-.** 3). **KPCL/2023-24/IND0107/CALL-2, Dated: 16.08.2023,** for Supply of Pressure gauges & accessories for VHEP. EMD: **Rs. 27,870/-. 4). KPCL/2023-24/IND0113/CALL-2, Dated: 16.08.2023,** for Supply of Hardwares for VHEP. EMD: **Rs. 29,355/-. 5). KPCL/2023-24/IND0114/CALL-2, Dated: 16.08.2023,** for Supply of Hoses & Various Hardwares for VHEP. EMD: **Rs. 28,765/-.** Last Date for receipt of Completed Bids: For Sl. No.1, **30.08.2023 upto 16:00Hrs.** For Sl. No. 2, 3, 4 & 5, **31.08.2023 upto 15:00Hrs.** Further details can be had for Sl. No. 1, from **Executive Engineer(Controls & O) Varahi,** Mobile: **94495 98900 / 94491 20380.** For Sl. No. 2, 3, 4 & 5, from **Executive Engineer(MSP)H, Varahi, KPCL, Varahi Hydro Electric Project, Hosangadi - 576282, Kundapur Taluk, Udupi District.** Phone No.: **+91-8259-288643,** Mobile No.: **94495 98832,** Website: **www.kpcl.karnataka.gov.in.**

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL- II KARNATAKA

4th Floor, Telephone House, Raj Bhavan Road, Bengaluru - 560001

BEFORE THE RECOVERY OFFICER -I DEBT RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-II, BANGALORE

TRC No.1755/2017 in /OA 576/2015

Between
Karnataka Bank Ltd, Bengaluru -BTM Layout Branch ...Applicant Bank
V/s
Sri. R. Nagaraj and Another ...Defendants

FORM NO.16

WARRANT OF ATTACHMENT OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

TO

Sri. R. Nagaraj, S/o Ramaiah, No.234/31, 5th Main, CBI Road, Ganganagara, R.T. Nagara, Bengaluru-32, **Also at:** M/s Vinayaka Traders, No.578, Singapura Main Road, Kuvempunagara, Vidyaranyapura Post, Bengaluru-97
Sri.Dharaneesh R., Son of Rajappa, No.8, 1st Cross M.S. Palya Bengaluru-97.

Whereas Certificate Debtors mentioned above were ordered as per Recovery Certificate of this Tribunal passed on the day **05-07-2016** in **O.A. No.576/2015** to pay the Karnataka Bank Ltd, Bengaluru- BTM Layout Branch **Rs. 45,49,931.00** (interest calculated upto **3-3-2018 from 30-1-2016**) and costs has not been paid.

This is to command your to attach the immovable property of as set forth in the schedule hereunto annexed and unless the said shall pay to you the above said sum and the costs of this attachment, to hold the same until further orders from the Recovery Officer. further commanded to return the Warrant on or before the **30/4/18** with an endorsement certifying the day on which and the manner in which it has been executed or why it has not been executed.

SCHEDULE

Item No. 1: All that piece and parcel of vacant property bearing Site No. 6, present BBMP Khata No. 8/1E-6, formed in Sy No. 8/1E, converted by the Deputy Commissioner, Bengaluru District vide Official Memorandum No. DIS.ALN.SR.(N)203/91-92, dated 08-07-1992, situated at Herohalli, earlier in the jurisdiction of Yeshwanthpur Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk, presently comes under BBMP Limits, measuring East to West 40 feet and North to South 60 feet, in all 2400 square feet and **bounded on:**
East by: Site No. 7, **West by:** Site No. 5, **North by:** Site No.23 and 24, **South by:** Road
Item No.2: All that piece and parcel of vacant property bearing Site No.7, present BBMP Khata No. 8/1E- 7, formed in Sy. No. 8/1E, converted by the Deputy Commissioner, Bengaluru District vide Official Memorandum No. DIS.ALN.SR.(N) 203/91-92, dated 08-07-1992, situated at Herohalli, earlier in the jurisdiction of Yeshwanthpur Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk, presently comes under BBMP Limits, measuring East to West 40 feet and North to South 60 feet, in all 2400 square feet and **bounded on: East by:** Site No.8, **West by:** Site No.6, **North by:** Site No.22 and 21, **South by:** Road

After clubbing of Item No. 1 and 2 properties:

All that piece and parcel of vacant property bearing Site Nos. 6 and 7, present BBMP Khata No. 8/1E-6 and Khata No: 8/1E-7, both properties formed in Sy No. 8/1E, converted by the Deputy Commissioner, Bengaluru District vide Official Memorandum No. DIS. ALN.SR.(N) 203/91-92, dated 08-07-1992, situated at Herohalli, earlier in the jurisdiction of Yeshwanthpur Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk, presently comes under BBMP Limits, measuring East to West 80 feet and North to South 60 feet, and **bounded on: East by:** Site No.8, **West by:** Site No.5, **North by:** Site No.24, 23, 22 and 21, **South by:** Road.
Given under my hand and seal of the Tribunal, this **4th day of April 2018**

Sd/- Recovery Officer -I
Debts Recovery Tribunal-II, Bangalore

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Ref. No. RMLIMS/MM(eq)/2023-24/1796 Date: 21.08.2023

1st Time Tender Notice

On-line offers are invited through BoQBased GEM bidding from Manufacturer/Direct Importers/Authorized Distributors/Dealer/Accredited Agents for the supply & installation of Office Furniture for ESTABLISHMENT OF SKILL LAB FOR RUNNING OF NURSING COLLEGES UNDER 15 STATE MEDICAL COLLEGE – GORAKHPUR, KANNAUJ, PRAYAGRAJ, JHANSI, BANDA, AZAMGARH, AMBEDKARNAGAR, JALAUN, SAHARANPUR, BADAUN AND AUTONOMOUS STATE MEDICAL COLLEGE – AYODHYA, BASTI, BAHRAICH, FIROZABAD AND SHAHJAHANPUR.

The Vendors are required to submit their offer on GEM portal only in two bids system i.e. technical & financial bid as per norms of GeM portal.

Due to insufficient offers, the offers submitted earlier for the listed items by the bidders against tendered Bid No. GEM/2023/B/3722142 dated 21-07-2023 will be treated as cancelled. Therefore, those who have already submitted their offers against above gem bid are also required to submit fresh offers but they are not required to deposit EMD again but enclose its proof in technical bids as per tender terms & conditions.

For more detail information like, Date of Submission and opening of bid etc., you may please visit the GeM portal **www.gem.gov.in,** The offer will be accepted On–Line only on GeM portal with terms and conditions as mentioned in GeM bidding document.

Director

BANARAS LOCOMOTIVE WORKS, VARANASI-221004

Bid No. E-45/2023-24 **E-TENDERS** **Date. 17-08-2023**

E-Tenders are invited for & on behalf of the president of India for the supply of following items. Only e-offer will be accepted for which vendors must have class III Digital Signature and registration on IREPS. **The details of tenders are in the following sequence S. No., Tender No. (Due Date). Description and Quantity. 01.** 01231061, (04-09-2023), Ring Carrier 16121508, 161 Nos. **02.** 01231100, (04-09-2023), Forging of Gear Pump, 16141740, 364 Nos. **03.** 01231048A, (04-09-2023), DEVELOPMENTAL TENDER S S TUBE DIA 10 MM, 29070235, 1449 MTR **04.** 01231053B (04-09-2023) DEVELOPMENTAL TENDER Corrugated Flexible Ducting, 29230160, 30 Set. **05.** 01221051, (06-09-2023), Fuel Injunction Pump, 10050693, 96 Nos. **06.** 01231086, (08-09-2023), S S TUBE O/D 25.4, 29120068, 15592.485 MTR. **07.** 01231121, (11-09-2023), Turbo Drive, 16141891, 200 Nos. **08.** 01231245, (22-09-2023), S S Tube DIA 10 MM, 29070235, 21311.4 MTR. **09.** 01231052A, (29-09-2023), DEVELOPMENTAL TENDER Set of Non Metalic Pipe, 29230020, 30 Set. **10.** 01231247, (09-10-2023), TUBE, 29105160, 87 Set. **11.** 10231157, (06-09-2023), Shaft Carrier Part No. 16210190, 614 Nos. **12.** 10231153, (07-09-2023), Retainer Diffuser Part No. 16180460, 3545 Nos. **13.** 09231771A, (08-09-2023), Set of Copper Sleeve Part No. 29608181, 211 Sets. **14.** 10223104B, (11-09-2023), Bushing Part No. 16150545, 712 Nos. **15.** 10231286, (11-09-2023), Gasket Part No. 16170118, 22277 Nos. **16.** 10231127, (11-09-2023), Developmental Tender for Insert Part No. 16241241, 570 Nos. **17.** 10231218, (11-09-2023), Developmental Tender for Pin (Ckutch Drive Asm) Part No. 16210580, 480 Nos. **18.** 10223074B, (03-10-2023), Kit Cylinder Test Valve Asm Part No. 16350042, 2886 Nos. **19.** 04231211, (20-11-23), Set of Bracketed Sheet, Part No. 29618459, 277 Set. **20.** 04231105, (15-09-23), Leather Bellow With Mounting Arrgt, Part No. 29940436, 505 Set. **21.** 03231122, (04-09-2023), Tee Union, PL No- 11660429, 04 Nos. **22.** 06230183, (06-09-2023), Cable Lug, Part No. 29616670, 517 Nos. **The details of above tenders are available on www.blw.indianrailways.gov.in and www.ireps.gov.in. Corrigendum Notice. 23. Developmental Tender No.:** 09231077 **Bid No.:** E-30/2023-24 **Rev. No.:** 03 **Existing Due Date:** 14.08.2023 **Revised Due Date:** 30.08.2023 **24. Developmental Tender No.:** 09231085 **Bid No.:** E-30/2023-24 **Rev. No.:** 02 **Existing Due Date:** 14.08.2023 **Revised Due Date:** 30.08.2023 **25. Developmental Tender No.:** 09231084 **Bid No.:** E-30/2023-24 **Rev. No.:** 02 **Existing Due Date:** 14.08.2023 **Revised Due Date:** 30.08.2023. **All other terms and conditions will remain unchanged for above tenders.**

PRO/BLW/S-49 **Principal Chief Material Manager**

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that **TESSARACT DESIGNS**, having its office at No. 500, Koramangala Village, Bangalore - 560095, represented herein by its Partners namely, **(i) Mr. Anand Aurora s/o G S Aurora; (ii) Mr. S Sundar s/o Subramanian;** and **(iii) Mr. Jacob Mathew s/o P S Mathew ("Owner")**, is negotiating with our client ("**our Client**") to sell the property more particularly described in the schedule below ("**Said Property**").

All persons, entity, firm, institution (corporate or otherwise) claiming any right, title and/or interest, demand and/or any encumbrance of any nature whatsoever, either directly or indirectly, in respect of the Said Property or any part thereof or upon the Owner or its predecessors in title, including but not limited to by way of sale, restructuring, lease, sub-lease, transfer deed, inheritance, agreements, memorandum of understanding, pending litigation, exchange, mortgage, hypothecation, charge, lien, trust, security, possession, easement, attachment, acquisition or otherwise howsoever, are hereby required to make the same known to the undersigned in writing, along with the relevant documents evidencing their right, title and interest respect of the Said Property, within **10 (ten) days** from the date of this notice, failing which the sale of the Said Property will be completed, without any reference to such claim and the same, if any, shall not be entertained nor be binding on our Client and shall be considered as non-existent and /or waived.

Schedule (Description of the Said Property)

All that piece and parcel of the land admeasuring 20,462.80 sq ft of land in Plot 240 B1 of Bommasandra 3rd phase Industrial Area, situated in Sy Nos. 212 and 235 of Bommasandra Village, Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore District and bounded as follows:

On or towards the North by : Remaining portion of Plot No. 240B ;
On or towards the South by : Plot No. 240C ;
On or towards the East by : Remaining portion of Plot No. 240B ;
On or towards the West by : Service road.

Place : Bangalore, Date : 22.08.23

Preetam D'Souza, Partner,
Kochhar & Co., Advocates and Legal Consultants,
No.201, Prestige Sigma, No.3,
Vittal Mallya Road, Bangalore – 560001.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the General Public, that my client is intending to purchase the schedule property belonging to Smt.Rekha Mallya, wife of late B R Mallya, residing at No: 772, Fourteenth Cross, Thirty Third Main, J P Nagar First Phase, Bangalore – 560078, (AADHAAR: 5888 3829 3266);

Any, person, having any claim over the schedule property claiming through the predecessors in title or any other person, may lodge their objections or claims, in writing with all supporting documentary evidence by registered post with regard to such claim with the undersigned within 10 (ten) days hereof, failing which my client will proceed to conclude the Sale Transaction. Any claims lodged thereafter will not be entertained by my client;

SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing municipal No.54, (Survey no.95 K.G.Byadarahalli Village) having BBMP PID.No.92-126-54, measuring 4,198 square feet, situated at Minimarappa Block, BBMP Ward No.92, Jayamahal, Bengaluru bounded as under:

East by :Ayyappa School, West by : Site belongs to P.Subramanyam, North by : Rem

Prannoy, Sen advance to second round at Worlds

Shuttlers **HS Prannoy** and Lakshya Sen progressed to the men's singles second round of the World Championships with straight-game wins over Finland's Kalle Koljonen and Mauritius' Georges Julien Paul respectively on Monday. Prannoy beat Koljonen 24-22, 21-10, while Sen, the reigning Commonwealth Games gold medallist, beat Paul 21-12, 21-7 in 25 minutes.

INDIA GO OFFIE THE POINT

Asia Cup squad announced with Rahul, Iyer coming back; Chahal out with Kuldeep, Jadeja & Axar as spin options

FIROZ MIRZA @Chennai

THE much-awaited India squad for the Asia Cup was announced on Monday with batters — KL Rahul and Shreyas Iyer — making a comeback after undergoing thigh and back surgeries, respectively. The Asia Cup is scheduled to begin on August 30 with Pakistan taking on Nepal in Multan. Rohit and Co will take on arch-rivals and co-hosts Pakistan in their first outing on September 2 in Pallekele, Sri Lanka. The day/night final will be played on September 17 in Colombo.

Former India player Ajit Agarkar, in his first presser as the chief selector, though managed to table a balanced squad with the only missing link being a full-time off-break bowler. India captain Rohit Sharma also spoke on the subject while addressing the media after the announcement of the 17-member squad with wicketkeeper-batter Sanju Samson being the reserve. "We thought about an offspinner as well, (Ravichandran) Ashwin and Washy (Washington Sundar), but right now you see (Yuzvendra) Chahal had to miss out because we could only pick 17 players," was India captain Rohit Sharma's take on the issue during the media interaction.

Former India leg-spinner and selector Narendra Hirwani also feels the squad would have been more balanced had a full-time offie given a place. "The squad is for the Asia Cup where teams like Pakistan and Bangladesh will have a lot of left-hand batters. An offie would have been effective against them but again it all depends on team combinations and strategies," Hirwani told this daily.

For the record, the 17-member Bangladesh squad has six left-hand batters while Pakistan have four lefties at the top. "The off-spinner bowls away from the lefty so it's always tricky for the batters. With the offie bowling to them, there is always a good chance of a nick or an edge being carried to the wicket-keeper or the slip fielders. In Tilak Varma, they have a part-time off-spinner but its always good to have an expert," added Hirwani.

Varma, the talented left-hand batter from Hyderabad who made his T20I debut earlier this month against West Indies, was used by the skipper Hardik Pandya in the fifth match where he claimed an important wicket of Nicholas Pooran. Hirwani, however, sees him more as a batter who can be the future of India. "It doesn't look like he made his India debut recently. He plays with a lot of maturity. His approach might be bold and aggressive but he plays calculative shots. He is a gifted player, his approach and body language suggest that. It's good that he has been given a chance to showcase his skills ahead of the marquee event (ODI World Cup)."

As far as comebacks are concerned, a lot of players have made it back to the ODI squad after quite some time. Rahul last played in a 50-over match in March this year against Australia while Iyer featured in an ODI back in January 2023 against Sri Lanka. In fact, the former recently picked a niggle which forced the team management to pick Samson as the reserve wicketkeeper.

Apart from the duo, speedsters Jasprit Bumrah, who is captaining the India T20I side in Ireland, and Prasidh Krishna, who is also a part of the team, have been included in the squad. Bumrah last played an ODI back in July 2022 while Prasidh made an appearance for the team in a 50-over match in August last year. Pacer Mohammed Shami is also making a comeback to the ODI team.

In the absence of Chahal, Kuldeep Yadav will be the lone wrist spinner in the team with Axar Patel and Ravindra Jadeja being the other spin bowling options. Hardik Pandya has been named vice-captain, and he along with Shardul Thakur will be the two pace bowling all-rounders with Prasidh, Bumrah, Shami and Mohammed Siraj being the specialist fast bowlers. Despite his not-so-impressive show in the three-match ODI series against West Indies, Suryakumar Yadav has also made it to the squad.

Indian cricket team captain Rohit Sharma (left) and BCCI men's selection committee chairman Ajit Agarkar during a press conference in New Delhi, on Monday | SHEKHAR YADAV

The only way we could have picked him (Chahal) was if one of the seamers was missing. We can't do that because seamers are going to play a big role in the next two months. Having said that, no doors are closed on anyone. Anyone can come in anytime. If we feel like we need Chahal for the World Cup, we'll see how we can squeeze him in, same goes for Washy or Ashwin.

— Rohit Sharma, captain, on Chahal's exclusion

Rahul plays in the team as a wicketkeeper-batter. Hopefully, he will be available from the first game itself. It is a small setback for KL but we are hopeful that will be okay. From what we have been told it should not be too bad (in Rahul's case). We still have one month and a half before World Cup, hopefully they (Iyer and Rahul) will get enough cricket before that.

— Ajit Agarkar, chief selector, on Rahul's niggle

SQUAD Rohit Sharma (Captain), Shubman Gill, Virat Kohli, Shreyas Iyer, Suryakumar Yadav, Tilak Varma, KL Rahul, Ishan Kishan, Hardik Pandya (VC), Ravindra Jadeja, Shardul Thakur, Axar Patel, Kuldeep Yadav, Jasprit Bumrah, Mohammed Shami, Mohammed Siraj, Prasidh Krishna.

Traveling stand-by player: Sanju Samson.

Sift precision move ensures Oly spot

ANMOL GURUNG @Chennai

NOT so long ago, shooter Sift Kaur Samra was caught between the devil and the deep sea. The Punjab shooter, who is a first-year MBBS student in Faridkot, had to choose between a World Cup event in Bhopal and her medical exams. She had to sacrifice her studies for the former. Her choice said it all. Shooting was going to be her priority, at least until the 2024 Paris Olympics.

Her difficult call is now paying off, even though she still has a long road ahead. On Monday, Sift got a step closer to her aforementioned shooting target. The 21-year-old, who is part of the TOPS Scheme and also supported by Olympic Gold Quest, showed she has a great deal to offer to the sport with an Olympic quota-winning effort in the ongoing ISSF World Championships in Baku, Azerbaijan.

Sift was in a spot of bother after a certain phase during the qualifications. But she recovered in an emphatic manner to finish fifth in the tricky phase. Before she could fire in the women's 50m rifle 3 positions final, the Olympic quota for India was already ensured as three of the other finalists had bagged a quota before the ongoing world meet. Apart from that, there were two Chinese shooters in the final; only one quota on offer per nation. In the final, Sift got off to a slow start but once again, showed her ability to fight back under pressure. Eventually, she finished fifth, just a spot behind Olympic champion Nina Christen. The Chinese duo of Zhang Qiongyue and Han Jiayu bossed the final and finished one-two, respectively. Ashi Chouksey and Manini Kaushik, the other Indians in the competition, finished 29th and 40th, respectively.

Sift Kaur Samra

Given what Sift and her family has been through recently, her father, Pawandeep Singh, is a relieved man. "You do tend to get proud of course. She had a difficult start but she showed fighting qualities to make a good comeback. It's a good experience for her as this was the strongest competition she has faced so far," he said.

Recognising Sift's passion for the sport, Pawandeep had backed her to continue shooting and pursue her dreams. He is mindful that this is just the beginning and is hopeful that the difficult decision will pay off ultimately. "She had to drop (first-year). It was a very tough decision. If we had told her to opt for MBBS, she might have got disturbed. It was a very hard decision for all of us. Whatever God desires, she'll follow that path. Let's see what fate has in store for her," he said.

She's in the right direction as far as shooting is concerned. Even though she eventually finished fifth, her father, who runs a business in Faridkot, is confident that the medals will come.

This is a massive welcome for Sift's family as her brother, a national medallist, had done just the opposite. "For MBBS, he left the sport. He's getting admitted this time. These decisions are really tough. There's no guarantee that the sport can help one set their lives. It's rare."

Apart from her family's support, her coach Deepali Deshpande has also pushed her a great deal. She was confident about Sift and was expecting her to rise and shine. Three (out of six that India have earned so far) of Deepali's wards have now earned an Olympic quota. Deepali is obviously pleased for her ward but has taken notes in order to help elevate Sift's game. "She shot two matches, elimination and qualification. She was in the second elimination round. I could see some tiredness when she was changing over. We need to work on that. It mostly happens when the participation is full and it does not happen in the majority of competitions. But shooters must have this kind of endurance. She is maturing well and in spite of all that, she did very well in standing. Even prone was very good but it was not tight enough and she was lacking that required precision. However, that will come with experience," she noted.

Pragg dissects games, says was a bit cautious

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Chennai

THERE is no stopping R Paggnanandhaa at this chess World Cup. First he had World No 2 Hikaru Nakamura, then his friend and India teammate Arjun Erigaisi and now Fabiano Caruana. The Chennai boy who tuned 18 at the competition played some phenomenal chess to secure a final spot against world No 1 Magnus Carlsen starting on Tuesday.

Like all champions, Paggnanandhaa knew what helped him win against Caruana. He said that his defensive abilities helped him. "I was almost losing in every single game," he said during an interview to FIDE. "Losing is maybe a hard word but, in the first two classical games, I was defending throughout. I played some inaccuracies in the opening then I had to suffer. Then in the third game also I lost at some point but with little time it's never easy. In the fourth game, I was maybe pushing a little bit but okay it was nothing, and in the fifth game, I think the position should be around equal but then somehow things went wrong for him with the C3 D4 coming in."

"I felt black should be totally fine but somehow then in a time scramble I managed to not mess up and convert it quite nicely. This game, I thought, I should win it very comfortably. I had a lot of time as well. I had a very good position but then I started to hesitate. I was trying to be cautious which is never a good idea in such situations. Then I allowed a lot of counterplay. I was never in danger but it could have been smooth at the end.

On meeting Carlsen in the final, he said, "As I said I just didn't really expect to come here but I'll just try to give my best and see." On qualification for the Candidates, he said, "To qualify, (and to be) among the first people to make it to the candidates, it feels really good. I really wanted to fix that spot. I didn't want to get into this fourth position and try to wait for Magnus's decision. But, this feels really good."

Barca win first official match at adopted home

MADRID: Barcelona found a way to win late and guarantee a housewarming celebration at its temporary new home for the season. With late goals from Pedri and Ferran Torres, Barcelona beat Cadiz 2-0 in the first official match at the Lluis Companys Olympic Stadium in Montjuic, where the team will play while the Camp Nou undergoes an extensive makeover. Pedri and Torres scored.

EXPRESS READ

Pakistan sack coaching staff after ACT failure

KARACHI: The Pakistan Hockey Federation has reportedly sacked the entire coaching staff of the Pakistan men's hockey team after it failed to reach the semifinal of the recently-concluded Asian Champions Trophy in India. Shahnaz Sheikh has been named the head coach but the move has courted controversy with the person in question being a part of the Pakistan Sports Board-run committee that apparently issued 'Pink Slips' to Rehan Butt, Muhammad Saqlain, Haseem Khan, and Md Ghafoor, who were all in Chennai for the ACT.

Lahiri finishes third in Newcastle

NEWCASTLE: Indian golfer Anirban Lahiri shot a fine 3-under 68 in the final round but failed to find as many birdies to finish third at the International Series England. Lahiri, who carded 70-69-69, finished at 8-under 276 and was third behind winner Andy Ogletree and Ian Poulter.

India jr hockey team overcomes England

DUSSELDORF: Indian junior men's hockey team bounced back from a loss against the host Germany on Saturday to secure their second victory in the 4-Nations Tournament. Rajinder Singh, Amir Ali, Amandeep Lakra, and Araijeet Singh Hundal were the goal scorers in India's 4-0 win over England.

Indian Army enter Durand Cup quarterfinals

Kokrajhar/Kolkata: Indian Army FT booked their place in the Durand Cup quarters after they played out a draw in their final Group F tie against Rajasthan United FC. Bidhyasagar Singh struck a hattrick to power Kerala Blasters to a 5-0 win over Indian Air Force Football Team.

Mahapanchayat on August 24 against direct entry for Bajrang

FIROZ MIRZA @Chennai

EVEN as wrestler Bajrang Punia intends to train in Issyk-Kul, Kyrgyzstan ahead of the Asian Games, his counterpart Vishal Kaliraman's family has called for a 'mahapanchayat' in Jind, Haryana on August 24. The meeting has been called to address the alleged ill-treatment meted out to Vishal, who won the Asian Games selection trials last month but was kept as a standby to Bajrang for the quadrennial event. It is learnt that Kaliraman family has even invited Bajrang for the mahapanchayat.

"We had already organised two khap panchayats — one each in Hansi and Sisai in the past. Now, we are inviting heads of all khaps and sports lovers from across the country for the mahapanchayat scheduled to begin at 11:30 AM at Jaat Dharamshala in Jind," Subhash Kaliraman, Vishal's father, said.

Vishal competes in 65kg, the weight category wherein Bajrang won a bronze medal at the 2020 Tokyo Olympics. The adhoc committee running the sport in the court had earlier granted direct entry to Bajrang and Vinesh Phogat (53kg) for the Asian Games. The latter, however, pulled out of the event due to injury paving the way for Antim Panghal, who won the selection trials, to represent the country in the tournament

scheduled to begin in Hangzhou, China next month.

"We met Bajrang in Sonepat on Sunday requesting him to either feature in the trials or let Vishal participate in the Asian Games. He, however, asked us to call a meeting of khaps. He told us that he will accept whatever decision khap panchayats arrive at," added Subhash.

Bajrang's plan to train overseas also means he wants to skip trials proposed to be held on August 25 and 26 to pick the team for the World Championships scheduled next month. The Worlds is also a qualifier for the 2024 Olympics.

However, sources told this daily that Bajrang's proposal to train abroad has yet to be approved by the Sports Authority of India (SAI). The SAI, in fact, has asked him and Deepak Punia (86kg), who wants to train in Russia, to either produce the fitness certificate or attend the Worlds trials. As per the proposal, Bajrang wants to train in Kyrgyzstan from August 21 to September 28 while Deepak intends to undertake an exposure-cum-training camp in Khasavyurt (Russia) for five weeks (August 23 to September 28) to prepare for the Asian Games. Unlike Bajrang, Deepak had taken part in the Asian Games trials and won a place.

Notably, Bajrang last competed in an international event in September last year when he clinched a bronze medal at the World Championships. He along with other top wrestlers of the country including Vinesh and Sakshi Malik had then staged a protest against the sidelined president of the Wrestling Federation of India (WFI) Brij Bhushan Sharan Singh accusing him of sexual harassment.

WOMEN'S WORLD CUP

Carmona scored for Spain, then learnt about father's death

AGENCIES @Madrid

OLGA Carmona, whose goal won the Women's World Cup for Spain, learned after the final of her father's death, the Spanish soccer federation said.

He had been ill and died while Carmona's mother and other relatives traveled to Australia to watch her play in the final, the federation said early Monday, without giving more detail on the cause of death. The family decided to wait until after the title celebrations to give Carmona the news.

"And without knowing it, I had my Star before the game started,' Carmona said on X, formerly known as Twitter, along with a photo of her kissing the winners' medal. I know that you gave me the strength to achieve something unique. I know that you were watching me tonight and that you are proud of me. Rest in peace, dad."

After the final whistle, she was among the Spanish players celebrating and dancing on the field, and appeared to participate normally during the trophy presentation. "We love you, Olga," the federation said on X. "You are part of the history of Spanish soccer."

Carmona scored with a left-footed strike in the 29th minute to give Spain a 1-0 victory over England in Sydney, Australia. She had also scored a late winner in La Roja's 2-1 win over Sweden in the semifinals to become the first player since American Carli Lloyd in 2015 to score in a World Cup semifinal and final. The 23-year-old Carmona was named the final's most valuable player on Sunday. She had celebrated her goal with a tribute to a friend who recently lost her mother.

Spain's Olga Carmona kisses the WC trophy in Sydney on Sunday | AFP

"I think all of us, we felt that this team had something special," the Real Madrid defender said after Spain won the title.

Madrid released a statement Sunday night about her father's death and offering condolences to the player and her family. Carmona's Spain teammate Irene Paredes lost her father a few days before Spain began its preparations for the World Cup. The defender dedicated the title to him on Sunday. Before the news of the death of Carmona's father, the federation said that title celebrations were set to take place after the squad's arrival in Madrid on Monday night.

It wasn't clear if the celebrations would go ahead as scheduled or if Carmona would participate in any way.

Djoko outlasts Alcaraz in marathon final

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NOVAK Djokovic outlasted Carlos Alcaraz in a thrilling rematch of their Wimbledon final, winning 5-7, 7-6 (7), 7-6 (4) to take the Western & Southern Open. In a match that lasted 3 hours, 49 minutes, the longest best-of-three sets final in ATP Tour history (since 1990), Djokovic avenged his loss last month to the top-ranked Alcaraz and earned his 95th career title, passing Ivan Lendl for third among men in the professional era, dating to 1968.

"This was one of the most exciting matches I've ever played in any tournament," the winner of a men's-record 23 Grand Slam titles said during the post-match trophy presentation.

The rematch of Alcaraz's five-set victory at Wimbledon broke the previous Cincinnati record of 2 hours, 49 minutes, set in 2010 as Roger Federer was beating Mardy Fish. It's the longest three-set match on the men's tour this season by three minutes. "I have so much to say, but I'm not sure that I have the energy," Djokovic said, cradling his trophy. He paused and looked at Alcaraz. "You never give up, do you?" he said. "I love that about you. I hope we meet in New York. That would be fun 'well, for the fans, not for me'."

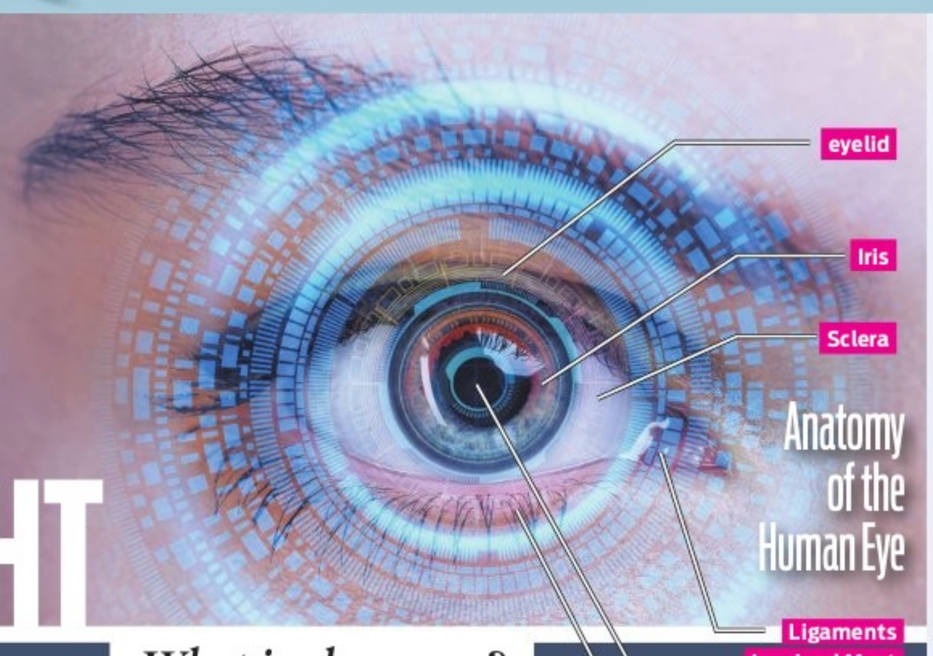
In the women's final, Coco Gauff became the first teenager in more than 50 years to win the Western & Southern Open with a 6-3, 6-4 victory over Karolina Muchova.

RISK FACTORS

- People with family history of glaucoma
- Above 40 years of age
- History of eye injury
- History of steroid use
- Intermittent blurring of vision
- Frequent change of glasses
- Mild chronic headache
- Seeing coloured halos around light

GLAUCOMA

KEEP AN EYE ON YOUR SIGHT



SINDUJA JANE @Chennai

A disease that affects the optic nerve, glaucoma is the third most common cause of blindness in the country. Approximately, 11.2 million people aged 40 years and older have glaucoma in India but only 10% of them know they have it. The numbers can be more, as experts say 90% of cases go undetected. A disease caused by an increase in pressure in the eyes, it is asymptomatic and hence called the 'silent killer of vision'. Though those over 40 are at risk and need regular checkups, only 2% of the urban population are aware about the disease. Many have heard about hypertension, but are unaware that high pressure in the eyes can damage the optical nerves.

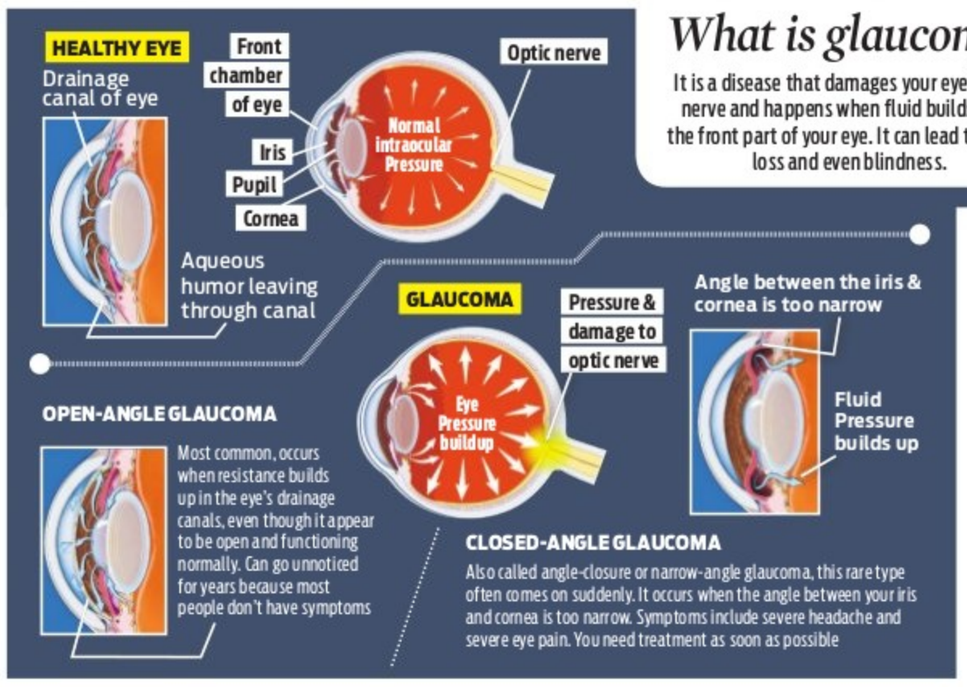
"Aqueous humor, a clear fluid inside the eye, is normally secreted and continuously drained via microscopic outlets in the eye. Blockage in these channels leads to fluid accumulation within the eye and this eventually raises the normal intraocular pressure (IOP). This will cause optic nerve damage. Such type of glaucoma can occur without any pre-existing eye disease," says Dr S Soundari, Regional Head-Clinical Services, Dr Agarwals Eye Hospital, Chennai.

During annual checkups, doctors check the pressure in the eye to determine if the patient is at risk. Normally, IOP should be 15-21mm-Hg, if it goes above 21 mmHg it is considered abnormal. "We have to first see why the pressure is elevated and check the optic nerve and other parts. If they are normal, then that person can be put on continuous monitoring," says Dr M R Chitra, director, Regional Institute of Ophthalmology and Government Ophthalmic Hospital, Chennai.

Though it is asymptomatic in rare cases, if the pressure in the eye is very high people might see rings (halos) around light, feel pain, headache, nauseas and other symptoms. "There are two main types of glaucoma - primary and secondary. The latter is caused due to complications like injury and diabetes. Use of steroids also can cause secondary glaucoma. This is important as in India people use steroids indiscriminately. There is also congenital glaucoma," said Dr Ronnie George, director (glaucoma department), Sankara Nethralaya Hospital, Chennai, and director of research, Medical Research Foundation.

There will be reduction of field of vision if the optic nerve is affected and finally the vision will be like looking through a tube. "If that too is not controlled, it results in complete vision loss. Since it starts with damaging the peripheral vision, most people don't realize they have a problem," Ronnie adds.

Glaucoma is common in adults in the age group of 40-50 years. "It is important for those in their 40s and above to get regular eye check up once every year. If the pressure is high, vision loss can happen within months. Otherwise, it can take nine to ten years," said Dr Ronnie. "Many patients are aware of blood pressure but many do not know that there is eye pressure. So, people who come to the hospital are checked for eye pressure and if any abnormality is detected they will be followed up," said Dr Chitra.



What is glaucoma?

It is a disease that damages your eye's optic nerve and happens when fluid builds up in the front part of your eye. It can lead to vision loss and even blindness.

Treatment depends on the type of glaucoma and it is mostly controlled by administering drops and surgery, say doctors. There are several surgical management techniques for glaucoma including minimally invasive glaucoma surgery. "This is the latest innovation in glaucoma management which is safer and less invasive alternative to conventional glaucoma treatment. The advantages include faster recovery time and minimal disruption of eye tissues. This is useful in case future interventions are needed," said Dr Soundari. Other surgical management include trabeculectomy, a filtering surgery, where an alternate drainage pathway is created to lower the eye pressure. "In this procedure a piece of drainage angle tissue is removed to create an opening to allow the fluid to drain out of the eye bypassing the clogged channels," she adds.

"There are also glaucoma drainage devices. These devices have shown successful IOP control in complicated glaucomas like neovascular glaucoma, uveitic glaucoma and previously failed trabeculectomy," says Soundari. The aim of treatments is to reduce the eye pressure to a target level that will prevent damage to the optic nerve. "The choice of treatment, depending on the type and severity of glaucoma, includes medication, laser therapy and surgical intervention," she adds. In addition to conventional methods of detection, doctors and researchers are also studying the possibilities of using AI and genetics for early detection.

"Other methods being studied include assessing genetic risk factors at birth and whether we can tell which patient can develop glaucoma. We are also doing a study on the kind of biochemical changes that happen in glaucoma and looking at how to improve surgical outcomes," Dr Ronnie adds. Awareness about glaucoma is very poor in India, say doctors. "Years back, we did a survey and found that only 2.5% of urban and 1% of rural population have heard about it," said Ronnie. Glaucoma is the most common cause of irreversible blindness in India and second most common cause globally. In India 10% of glaucoma patients have blindness. "Enlarged eyeballs in children is also a sign of glaucoma and immediately surgery should be done. Any delay will cause vision loss," adds Dr Ronnie.

PREVENTION

In advanced cases, total visual loss can occur which is irreversible. Fortunately, this can be prevented if glaucoma is diagnosed at an early stage.

Get regular eye examinations: Can help detect glaucoma in its early stages, before significant damage occurs

- Know your family's eye health history

Wear eye protection: Serious eye injuries can lead to glaucoma

- Take prescribed eye medications regularly

Glaucoma cannot be reversed, but can be managed by delaying the progress of the disease, similar to diabetes

Trivia: The second week of March is observed as World Glaucoma Awareness Week

NORMAL-TENSION GLAUCOMA

As many as 1 in 3 people have optic nerve damage even when eye pressure is normal or not very high. Experts are uncertain about what causes normal-tension glaucoma

CONGENITAL GLAUCOMA

Some babies are born with drainage canals that don't form properly in the womb. Your healthcare provider might notice the symptoms at birth or signs may become noticeable during childhood

MYTH BUbusting

Dr Shaji Mohamed Haneefa clears myths on paracetamol use

Senior consultant, department of Internal Medicine, KIMS Health, Thiruvananthapuram

Myth: Paracetamol can be popped whenever you want

Fact: Taking paracetamol without a prescription is not safe. A safe dose is approximately 4g per day. If someone consumes more than 150 mg/kg of their body weight, it can be toxic. For individuals with chronic illnesses, malnutrition, chronic liver disease, and alcoholism, paracetamol should not be taken in amounts exceeding 2g per day. Fifty percent of overdoses are unintentional.

Myth: It probably works for all chronic pain

Fact: As a drug primarily intended for acute pain, paracetamol does not effectively alleviate chronic pain. It is not recommended for chronic conditions like backaches or arthritis. In cases of postoperative pain, it may only be effective for one out of four individuals, and for headaches, it tends to work for one out of ten people.

Myth: It is known to have long-term side effects

Fact: Paracetamol also has side effects, similar to any other drug. Commonly observed side effects include skin rashes, swelling of the hips, low blood pressure, and hypothermia. However, it is known to have fewer side effects compared to other painkillers. For example, in paediatric practice, Aspirin has been replaced by paracetamol due to its dangerous side effects.

Myth: It does not harm internal organs

Fact: Paracetamol overdose can cause acute liver failure requiring liver transplantation. Two percent of acute intoxication cases present with acute kidney injury, which can occur even without liver failure. It is also not suitable for the gastrointestinal tract, as dose-dependent gastrointestinal issues can arise.

Myth: Paracetamol intake does not pose fatal risks

Fact: Prescribed paracetamol intake does not pose fatal risks. However, frequent use of paracetamol- containing sodium formulations (such as effervescent tablets) is associated with an elevated risk of heart attack, stroke, and heart failure, potentially leading to death.

Myth: Intravenous Paracetamol is much better

Fact: No, intravenous Paracetamol is very expensive and should only be used in patients.

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Getting sunshine aplenty? You may still be low on vit-D

NAMRATA SINDWANI @ Bengaluru

XPLAINER

Vitamin D, the 'sunshine' vitamin, is a nutrient that the body needs for maintaining healthy bones, as bones can absorb calcium only when vitamin D is present. It is produced by the body when the skin is exposed to sunlight, however, more than half of the Indian population suffers from vitamin D deficiency despite being closer to the equator and receiving abundant sunlight throughout the year.

The amount of vitamin D your skin produces depends on many factors, including the time of day, season, latitude, and your skin pigmentation. It also depends on your lifestyle; for example, the use of sunscreen can also decrease vitamin D production.

It is observed that people suffer from a deficiency of vitamin D in both sunshine-deficit and sunshine-sufficient countries across the world. However, it continues to be one of the most underdiagnosed and undertreated nutritional deficiencies, according to a study. The prevalence of its deficiency, ranging from 50% to 90%, is reported in multiple community-based Indian studies done in the past decade. Dr. Edwina Raj, head of services (clinic nutrition and dietetics) at Aster CMI Hospital, says, "Vitamin D is necessary for the absorption of calcium in our body and helps to maintain our bone health. Other beneficial roles of vitamin D include reducing inflammation, immune function, and metabolism of glucose."

Causes

Experts highlight that the Indian diet is less meat-friendly and fails to meet the vitamin D requirement for a person. Other than low dietary intake, people with liver, kidney, and skin issues also have vitamin D deficiency. The work-from-home culture has also contributed to the high incidence as fewer people are exposed to sunlight regularly. Dr. Raj also adds that a person's inability to absorb vitamin D via food, use of sunscreen, dark skin color, covering the face and hands while traveling, and prolonged use of medicines like laxatives (for constipation) and steroids causes deficiency too. The inability to convert the vitamin into an active form is observed in those with malabsorptive disorders, cystic fibrosis, celiac disease, Crohn's disease, post-intestinal surgeries, and obesity.

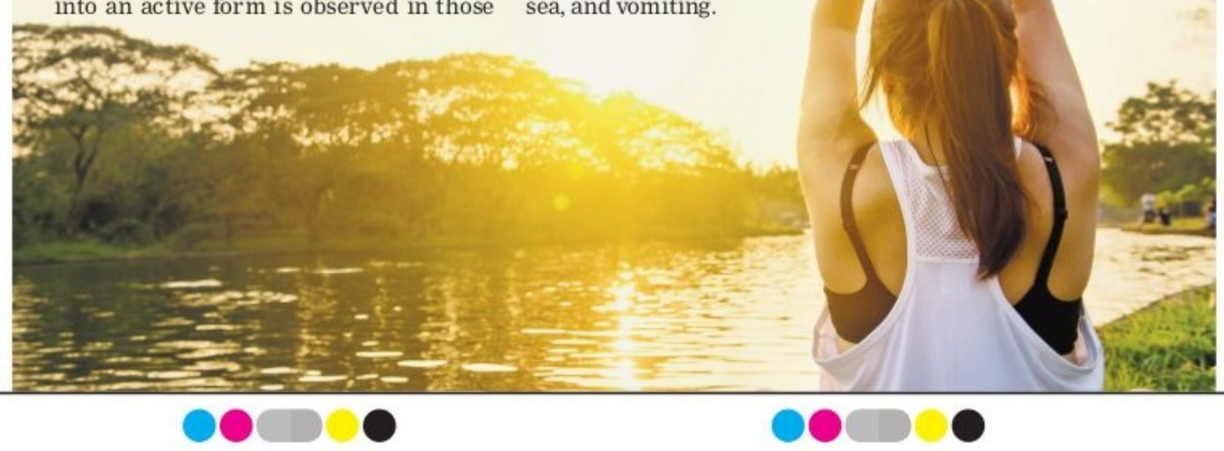
Symptoms

Vitamin D deficiency in children is called rickets and osteomalacia in adults. Dr. Mohan Karisankappa Puttaswamy, consultant orthopedics at Fortis Hospital, says rickets is a condition in infants and children with soft bones and skeletal deformities caused by the failure of bone tissue to harden. Osteomalacia is a condition in adults of weak and softened bones that is reversible with supplementation. It is different from osteoporosis, in which the bones are porous and brittle, and the condition is irreversible. "Fatigue, tiredness, bone and back pain, muscle weakness, and incorrect growth patterns among children are a few symptoms people must look out for," Dr. Puttaswamy adds.

Treatment

Doctors advise taking oral supplements or injectables, if necessary, to treat the deficiencies in the early stages itself, depending on the severity and its impact on one's health. The diet can be tweaked simultaneously with a maintenance dosage of supplements if necessary. Supplements are necessary to prevent and treat the negative impact of vitamin D deficiency before it's too late. It can be managed later with one's daily requirements through fortified milk, cooking oil, mushrooms, sea fish, eggs, liver, etc.

Supplements with natural sources are to be introduced initially, and recommending only sunlight exposure may not help if the deficiency is severe. Doctors recommend 5-10 minutes of sunlight exposure to the face or hands between 9 am to 5 pm without sunscreen, but advise people to check with dermatologists if one is sensitive towards it, as it may harm the skin. One must not supplement themselves excessively since hypervitaminosis of fat-soluble vitamins like vitamin D is equally detrimental. Excess levels of calcium accumulating in the body can lead to clogged blood vessels, kidney stones, nausea, and vomiting.



ANNA JOSE @Kochi

Blood clotting disorders are conditions that cause blood to form clots too easily, potentially restricting the normal flow of blood within your body. **Dr Deepak Charles,** a consultant hematologist-oncologist, clotting disorders, prevention, and treatment methods.

Why does abnormal clotting occur?

There are two types of clotting disorders commonly encountered. The most frequently observed is deep vein thrombosis (DVT), which occurs in the lower limbs. In this type, blood clots develop in one of the body's deep veins. The second type is pulmonary embolism, wherein a blood clot blocks an artery in the lung, halting blood flow. Both genetic and acquired factors contribute to abnormal blood clotting. Genetic factors encompass gene mutations and variations in protein levels. Acquired factors involve the presence of other diseases and the side effects of drugs and medications. Additionally, certain blood-related cancers can trigger abnormal clotting.

INTERVIEW
DR DEEPAK CHARLES

What are the trends post Covid-19?

During the pandemic, there was an increase in cases of clotting disorders. One cause was Covid-19 infection itself, as the disorder was observed in those affected by the virus. Furthermore, a connection was identified between clotting disorders and vaccines, particularly the two types available in India. However, after the pandemic, there has been a trend of decreasing case numbers.

Can it be identified early; if so, what are the preventive measures?

Early detection of the disorder is feasible through diligent monitoring. If the disorder is hereditary or if a family member has it, the likelihood of developing the disease is higher. Being attentive to changes and symptoms can aid in preventing its occurrence. Symptoms like swelling and unexplained pain should prompt consultation with a doctor for timely detection. It's important to note that clotting can occur anywhere in the body, not solely in the legs.

What are the treatment options?

The primary treatment for clotting disorders involves anti-clotting measures, which typically employ blood thinners. These medications can be administered orally or via injection. Additionally, minimally-invasive procedures can remove blood clots. This intervention employs specialized devices to effectively remove clots.

NEWS CAPSULE

'Covid-19 mortality risk low among vaccinated'

NEW DELHI: A one-year follow-up of Covid-19 patients discharged from hospitals found that participants who received at least one dose of anti-covid vaccination before contracting the infection had a lower risk of post-discharge mortality, according to a study by ICMR. Of the 14,419 participants who were followed up at least once between four weeks and one-year post-discharge, 942 (6.5%) had died and the rest (93.5%) were reported alive at any contact during one year of follow-up.

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DAY'S DIARY

Cadillac Motor Company

Cadillac was founded from the ruins of Henry Ford's second failed company. Henry Leland's involvemnet later led to the birth of Cadillac Car Company in 1902

THE LUXURY BUSINESS

On July 29, 1909, the new General Motors Corporation, acquired the Cadillac Automobile Company for $4.5 million

PRODUCTION

In its first year of production, Cadillac put out nearly 2,500 cars. Even though, the market went down earlier, it still remains as a leader among luxury cars

INNOVATION AND TECHNOLOGY

Cadillac boasts of achievements like replaceable spare parts (1908), electric self-starter (1912), V8 (1914) and synchromesh transmission (1929) and 'NightVision' (2000)

A curation of places offering Onasadya

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'THERE'S NO ROMANCE IN MODERN RESTAURANTS'

In Bengaluru recently, celebrity chef Marco Pierre White, who has trained notable chefs like Gordon Ramsay and Mario Batali, talks about returning to Bengaluru, how he enjoys traffic jams, the romance of olden cooking and why life should have calories

Chef Marco Pierre White in the middle of his masterclass

TUNIR BISWAS

In one of the more grandiose rooms of the JW Marriott in Vittal Mallya Road on Saturday afternoon, sat a white gentleman not in his Sunday best. But maybe in his most relaxed outfit. Blue jeans, a white tee and a white handkerchief fashioned into a headgear. The man could be mistaken for a sailor on a break admiring the landscape he found himself in but make no mistake, it was him – the one they call 'the first celebrity chef' – the enfant terrible of the UK restaurant scene Chef Marco Pierre White.

'Enfant terrible' may not be right to describe Chef Marco anymore, maybe it's mellowing down with age. He is here in Bengaluru for the second time, and this time, he has come for a masterclass he gave on Saturday afternoon and to serve brunch to his guests on Sunday at noon. "Bengaluru is very green. I mean that's rare for a city," says Chef Marco pointing to a cluster of trees visible from the grand windows of the hotel. "Strangely what's amazing is that I like the traffic jams here. I don't notice the stagnancy, the eyes are always amused. By being stuck in traffic, you see things, and there is so much to see in this city," he shares.

Chef Marco has gone on record saying, 'No one does spices better than the Indians'. On this, he elaborates, "I don't think anyone understands spices like the Indians. I have carefully observed it, but I don't think you can learn it overnight. It will take a long time to understand. When you see Indian cooks use spices or people in villages using spices in their cooking, their fingers almost act like little weighing scales. And what they end up making is delicious. Then they cook it slowly building the layers...that knowledge must have taken centuries. Indian cuisine is one of the great cuisines of the world. I don't think it has gotten the recognition it deserves, but Indian restaurants are spreading globally." He also goes on to point out certain similarities between Indian and French cooking.

He, who has trained notable chefs like Gordon Ramsay and Mario Batali, calls himself conventional and classical. Modernism doesn't hold his interest. "If you look at those old three-star and two-star (Michelin stars) of the old world, they were romantic. The food was generous and served hot. The customer was the most important. Now, when you go to a two or three-star place, it's a set menu of small portions. A food which is lukewarm and at best, tepid. There's no romance in modern restaurants. The waiter tells you what the dishes are and how to eat them. You have one mouthful, and they come running to ask if you enjoyed it. A restaurant should never ask the customer if they enjoyed it. Allow the customer to tell you, don't go fishing for compliments," he says.

He had famously returned his three Michelin stars after realising that 'he was being judged by people less knowledgeable than him'. He believes Michelin has only grown more commercial. "They give the stars so easily now. In the old days, the head inspector of Europe used to say it takes a chef eight to 10 years to win three stars. Today they give it in one. It's marketing. But they make very good tyres. If I had a car, I would have Michelin tyres, and I would have four of them and not three," jokes a cheeky Chef Marco, who in 1995 had become the first British chef to be awarded three Michelin stars and was also the youngest at the time.

For a man who can cook many things, what does he like to eat? "When you think of eating what you like, you think of something deliciously comforting. Something that impacts you emotionally. For example, you think of the most delicious scrambled eggs, topped with a poached egg and served on toast with a little hollandaise sauce, it's deliciously comforting and rich. Massive calories. But see, just remember, a life without calories is not a life. The more calories, the more flavour," concludes the chef as he walks on to start his masterclass.

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> — Marco Pierre White, chef

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CITY READ

Dance showcasing 10 Middle Eastern styles to be performed

Nrityakosh, an oriental and fusion belly dance school, is holding 'Parikrama', a dance showcase of 10 Middle Eastern dance styles and a lecture demonstration. The event will take place on September 2, 6.30pm, at the Shoonya Centre for Arts and Somatic Practices, Lal Bagh Main Rd. 'Parikrama' will bring forth the history, cultural significance, socio-political influences, and the music of 10 distinct Middle Eastern dance styles. These dance forms, when woven together, create the enchanting fabric of Oriental Dance, commonly known as belly dance. For more details, check bookmyshow.com

Rakshabandhan collection

Rakshabandhan is not just about cherishing sibling bonds but also celebrating the unique personalities of your beloved siblings. Lifestyle store Akkad Bakkad is curating a Rakshabandhan collection with an assortment of decor. The wall frames come with motivational quotes, while the wall clock collections is for those with an eye for abstract art. Prices starts from ₹499. For more details, check www.akkadbakkad.store

For upcoming festivals like Ganesh Chaturthi and Durga Puja, artisans from across the country have set up base here in Bengaluru to create scultpted idols for the occasions

Carving Deities for Devotion

TUNIR BISWAS

As we step into the second half of the year, the time of festivals is upon us. That means for a city like Bengaluru – a melting pot of cultures – it is time to prepare for various kinds of festivals for the many communities inhabiting the city. From Ganesh Chaturthi to Durga Puja, artisans in the city have begun gearing up to create the ideal sculpted idols for the auspicious occasions.

In Pottery Town in the city, work has already begun. "The culture of the work here dates back several hundred years. It is a generational occupation. We have been making idols every year and for this year as well, people are have already started work. For Ganesh Chaturthi, sculptures have already been made and currently we are in the painting phase," shares Dinakar, a man who owns an artisan shop in the area and has been in the profession for over 20 years.

Adjacent to Dinakar's shop, sits **Malliga** in her house making idols of Ganesha. A senior citizen who has been in this profession for multiple decades, she concurs with Dinakar about idol making being a generational occupation. Her next of kin have also joined hands with her. "We make Ganesha idols throughout the year. The first six months, we make the sculpture and then we paint it the next six months. The idols are distributed all over the city and we make around 5,000 every year. My entire family is involved in the process. This is not their main job though. They are all educated and work different professions. This [idol making] is more of a family occupation. We have been doing it since our ancestors," explains Malliga.

While the local artisans in the city are busy making Ganesha idols and other deities for local festivals, sculpting for an occasion like Durga Puja, celebrated predominantly by the Bengali community, is a foreign affair. To curb this bridge, artisans from Kolkata have come down to the city and set up base in Cox Town, their usual spot since 2011. Sayan Pal comes from a line of artists who have been making Durga idols in the city for over 50 years, a tradition that started with his grandfather Sudhir Pal.

"We come to this city by the end of June and resume work immediately. We usually stay here for four months and leave during the end of Durga Puja. We make idols for various organisations. Currently, the sculpting process has begun as there is still time for Durga Puja. However, we also make for other festivals like Ganesh Chaturthi. Our Ganesha idols are presently being painted," says Pal.

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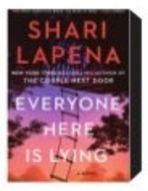
> *We closely work with the top artists who come down to Bengaluru from Kolkata. This year, our idol is inspired by an 88-year-old puja of Kolkata, known to all as Maddox Square. But the idol is being built here* – Priyanka Roy, puja organiser

One of the organisations which works with Pal and their artisans, is the Bengali Association for the Residents of Sarjapur and HSR Layout Area (BARSHA). Their publicity head, Priyanka Roy says, "We closely work with the top artists that come down to Bengaluru from Kolkata. This year, our idol is inspired by an 88-year-old puja of Kolkata, known to all as Maddox Square. The ornamentation is being handcrafted by the descendants of the artisans from Krishnanagar, West Bengal, who are generationally famous as the makers of some of the best idols in Kolkata. The idol is being built here. We want to recreate the nostalgic environment of College square and Maddox Square."

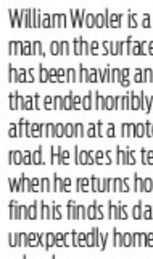
BOOK NOOK



Everyone Here Is Lying: A Novel

by Shari Lapena

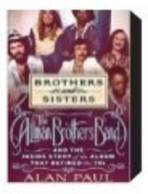
William Wooler is a family man, on the surface but, has been having an affair, that ended horribly on an afternoon at a motel up the road. He loses his temper when he returns home to find his finds his daughter unexpectedly home from school.



House of Roots and Ruin

by Erin A Craig

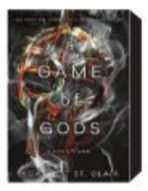
The story revolves around seventeen-year-old Verity Thaumas, who is stuck in the family estate of Highmoor with her 14-years-older sister Camille and her family, despite dreams of adventures far beyond the Salann shores.



Brothers and Sisters: The Allman Brothers Band and the Inside Story of the Album That Defined the '70s

by Alan Paul

The book delves into the making of the album, while also presenting a broader cultural history of the era, based on first-person interviews, historical documents and in-depth research.



A Game of Gods

by Scarlett St Clair

Hades, God of the Dead, has finally made Persephone his in every way possible. With their wedding on the horizon, the couple should be ecstatic. But Demeter is wreaking havoc.

WHAT WHEN WHY WHERE

Clay Art

Enjoy a relaxing day learning hand building and wheel techniques in pottery. With help from skilled instructors, make your own clay artefacts.

WHEN: Aug 22, 11am
WHERE: Lahe Lahe, Indiranagar
DETAILS: bookmyshow.com

Legendary Tribute

Immerse yourself into a magical music experience with this special tribute event to Pink Floyd, where the Kishan Baalaji Collective will perform some of the biggest tunes of the legendary English rock band.

WHEN: Aug 26, 6pm
WHERE: Phoenix Marketcity, Whitefield Main Road
DETAILS: bookmyshow.com

Master Photography

With the help of the 'Basics of Photography' workshop, learn to take effortless pictures, be it with a smartphone or a fully-fledged DLSR camera.

WHEN: Till Aug 31, 9.30pm
WHERE: Virtual
DETAILS: bookmyshow.com

Sing your heart out

Go for an evening of karaoke at Marcopolo Cafe, with tickets redeemable on food and enjoy a night of hearty singing, with friends and family. **WHEN:** Till Sep 6, 4pm onwards
WHERE: Koramangala **DETAILS:** bookmyshow.com

Laughter Time

Go with friends, family, random strangers, or by yourself for an absurd, edgy, and funny evening at Bistro Claytopia as some of the city's standup comedians try to crack you up with their jokes.

WHEN: Till Aug 25, 8pm **WHERE:** Koramangala
DETAILS: bookmyshow.com

Twisted Tuesdays

Go for an unforgettable night of dancing and entertainment at the Boozy Griffin, featuring music by DJ Ashwin.

WHEN: Aug 22, 8pm **WHERE:** Marathahalli **DETAILS:** bookmyshow.com

COLOURS OF NATURE

An artist gives the final touches to his work amidst the scenic greenery of Cubbon Park | **SHASHIDHAR BYRAPPA**

QUICK FIX

BOMBAY TOAST

INGREDIENTS

- **Bread:** 8 slices
- **Sugar:** 2 tbsp
- **Butter/ghee:** 1 tbsp
- **Eggs:** 2
- **Vanilla essence:** 1/2 tsp
- **Milk:** 1/2 cup

METHOD

- Break the eggs in a bowl and beat well with the sugar.
- Add the vanilla essence, milk and mix well.
- Heat a flat pan, add a tbsp of butter or ghee and smear all over.
- When hot, dip one slice of bread at a time in the egg and milk mixture. Shallow-fry each slice on both sides till golden brown.
- Fry 2 or 3 slices at a time.
- Serve hot with jam, honey or powdered sugar.

What's cooking in your kitchen?

We are hungry for recipes with minimum ingredients and maximum flavours. Share your quick-fix with us, along with step-by-step photos, at bengalurucityexpress@gmail.com

FIT BIT

HASTA NAGINYASANA IN NANTUM NATARAJASANA VARIATION

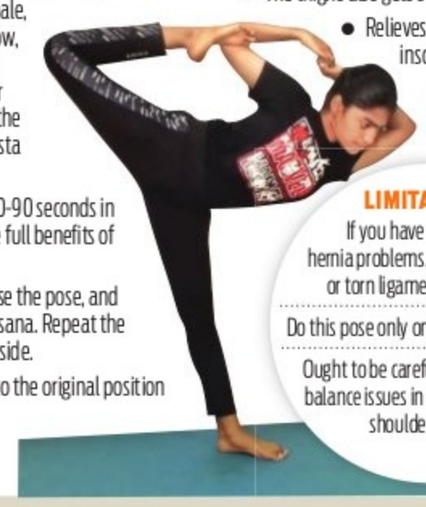
In Sanskrit, 'hasta' means hand, 'naga' means great mythological snake, 'nantum' means to bow with respect, 'Nataraj' refers to Shiva as a cosmic dancer', and 'asana' means posture.

STEPS

- First, start by standing in Tadasana (Mountain Pose) by engaging Mula Bandha, Uddiyana Bandha, and Ujjayi breathing.
- Inhale and bring your weight onto the left foot, and exhale as you bend your right knee. Hold your right foot with your right hand, and bring your right heel to your right sitting bone.
- Keep your leg straight by pulling the knee cap up, engaging the front thigh muscles (quadriceps).
- Exhale and start pushing your right foot back up, while bringing your torso forward.
- Again, exhale as you bring the right foot to the right elbow crease and bend your right arm to keep the foot in place.
- Now, inhale as you reach your right arm out in front of you. Exhale, bend the right elbow, and grab onto the left hand with your right hand. This is the Mermaid Pose (Hasta Naginyasana).
- Hold the pose for 30-90 seconds in order to receive the full benefits of the stretch.
- Exhale as you release the pose, and come back to Tadasana. Repeat the steps on the other side.
- Finally, come back to the original position and then relax.

BENEFITS

- It stretches the sides of the body, the hamstrings and the inner thighs, promoting spinal flexibility and balance.
- It tones the reproductive organs and increases blood circulation within the pelvic region and legs.
- This asana helps maintain flexibility in the lower body.
- All the muscles in your legs gets stronger.
- This asana is helpful in improving digestion.
- It reduces the menopausal and menstrual disorders.
- It is a good stretch for the foot, calf, and hamstrings.
- The thighs also gets strengthened.
- Relieves headaches and insomnia.



LIMITATIONS

If you have sciatica, hip, hernia problems, strained muscles or torn ligaments, avoid this.

Do this pose only on an empty stomach.

Ought to be careful, if you have any balance issues in hip, ankle or have shoulder injuries.

By N Elumalai, PhD Scholar (Yoga Science) at Meenakshi Academy of Higher Education & Research, Chennai

NOW STREAMING

REGIONAL

KERALA CRIME FILES (Malayalam)

It all begins when the receptionist at a local lodge discovers the dead body of a sex worker in one of the rooms. The Ernakulam North Police Station officers swing into action and are determined to catch the person responsible.

Cast: RJ Vijay, Janani Ashok Kumar, Vishnu Vijay, Lavanya

- **Watch on:** Disney+ Hotstar

TAALI (Hindi, series)

Based on the life of trans activist, Shree Gauri Sawant from Mumbai, the series throws light on her daring transformation, the journey towards motherhood.

Cast: Sushmita Sen, Ankur Bhatia, Nitish Rathore, Meenakshi Chugh

- **Watch on:** JioCinema

NIKHOJ (Bengali, series)

When DCP Brinda Basu's daughter goes missing after attending a party, the latter's mentor and famous journalist Romit Sen becomes the prime suspect in a supposed foul play.

Cast: Swastika Mukherjee, Tota Roy Chowdhury, Koneenica Banerjee

- **Watch on:** Hoichoi

GUNS AND GULAABS (Hindi, series)

Inspired by the Misfits of the World, the series mixes the nostalgic tales of romance, of the 90s, with crime.

Cast: Rajkummar Rao, Dulquer Salmaan, Adarsh Gourav

- **Watch on:** Netflix

VERA MAARI OFFICE (Tamil, series)

The show delves into the conflicts and friendships between the experienced and the new joinees at the firm, The Great Indian Company and how they turn it into an enjoyable experience.

Cast: RJ Vijay, Janani Ashok Kumar, Vishnu Vijay, Lavanya

- **Watch on:** AhaTamil

All the streaming apps can be accessed on smartphones and smart TVs with Internet connection.

BESTSELLER (Hindi, series)

This is a psychological thriller that revolves around a Mumbai film writer suffering from writer's block and his fan from a small town.

Cast: Mithun Chakraborty, Arjan Bajwa, Shruti Hassan, Guauhar Khan

- **Watch on:** Amazon Prime Video

NEYMAR (Malayalam)

Kunjava and Sinto are friends and both are ardent football fans. Kunjava realises he is in love with his classmate Dona. Finally, he decides to buy a pet, Neymar to grab her attention.

Cast: RJ Vijay, Janani Ashok Kumar, Vishnu Vijay, Lavanya

- **Watch on:** Disney+ Hotstar

FOREIGN

UNTOLD JOHNNY FOOTBALL (English, series)

This sports documentary series devotes an episode to Johnny Manziel, the bad boy quarterback's controversy-stained rise in college football, his NFL flameout and his off-field tumble into infamy and disgrace. It traces the meteoric rise and fall of the football star via interviews with friends and colleagues.

Cast: Johnny Manziel, Kliff Kingsbury, Ryan Duffy

- **Watch on:** Netflix

TIN & TINA (Spanish)

A story about desperation, faith, and the chilling repercussions of their intersection. At the core of this bone-tingling narrative are Lola and Adolfo, a couple yearning for the joys of parenthood, and the twins they adopt Tin and Tina, whose fervent religious beliefs birth terrifying outcomes.

Cast: Milena Smit, Jaime Lorente, Carlos Gonzalez Morollon

- **Watch on:** Netflix

PAINKILLER (English, series)

The series deals with the origins of the opioid crisis in the United States with an emphasis on Purdue Pharma, a company owned by Richard Sackler and his family, the manufacturer of OxyContin, as seen through the eyes of perpetrators, victims and truth-seekers.

Cast: Matthew Broderick, Uzo Aduba, Taylor Kitsch

- **Watch on:** Netflix

COCAINE BEAR (English)

The film chronicles what happens when a drug-smuggling plane drops a ton of cocaine in a Georgia forest where a 500-pound black bear inhales all of it.

Cast: Kerri Russell, O'Shea Jackson Jr., Margo Martindale, Alden Ehrenreich, Ray Liotta

- **Watch on:** Amazon Prime Video

SUBSCRIPTION	
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ZEE5:	₹699/year
SonyLIV:	₹299/month

THAT TREE WAS SOMEBODY'S HOME

TREES, the wise old inhabitants of Earth! Since aeons, countless trees have harboured life, offered refuge, and acted as a friend to the other beings that came to it. Trees have provided these beings with the necessities of life – food, shelter and clothing, and sought nothing in return. Birds, monkeys and squirrels have basked amongst their branches, while weary travellers took a nap in their shade. Trees have been playmates for children, who revel in climbing them. Trees have also played a role in the philosophical and scientific accomplishments of mankind. The Buddha attained enlightenment under the Sacred Bodhi Tree, while an apple fell on Isaac Newton's head as he sat under its tree, inspiring him on the path of discovery. Trees are among Mother Earth's special children, and perhaps the oldest.

I love trees. I guess we all do. It's frustratingly painful to watch a tree being cut, especially to accommodate some man-made eyesore. In 2010, I shifted to a location closer to Bengaluru's international airport. Idyllic as the place was, its quietude was further enhanced by the thick lush wall of trees, mostly wild, that surrounded it. Adding melody to all the enchantment were the chirps, hoots, cackles, and hisses that emanated from the wooded patch, which was home to families of birds, reptiles, insects, and some mammals. The centre-stage was a Singapore cherry tree, standing majestically close to my house. Each day, across seasons, a drove of birds would arrive and perch on it, and make it their temporary home, if not a permanent nesting and resting place.

The Singapore cherries were a big draw for our feathered friends, and each morning, the berries that fell on the ground created a pale pink carpet of exotic beauty. My daughter was aged four then. The two of us, with our binoculars and Salim Ali's *The Book of Indian Birds* in hand, would wait on the terrace, hoping to catch a glimpse of an exotic bird or two. Scaly-breasted munias, Asian bee-eaters, hoopoes, purple-rumped sunbirds, and Asian koels, were regular sightings.

The tree symbolised abundance, it reflected joy, it shared its shelter with love and warmth, and stood for harmony and the syncretic tryst that all natural beings have with Mother Nature. The everyday cacophony of the birds, the gentle breeze that brought an earthy blend of fresh and pure oxygen and fruity mist through the windows into my living space, enlivened it further. This tree shared its hallowed ground with a thousand others. There were eucalyptus, gulmohar, neem and banyan trees. Mornings would envelope my property in a thick layer of haze, thanks to the eucalyptus grove, and for miles around, was an impression of paradise.

Botanists have discovered that underground, trees share water and nutrients through a network of their roots (called mycorrhizal networks), and use their roots to communicate among one another. Roots are also learnt to send distress signals about drought, disease, insect and pest attacks. Based on this messaging, trees are observed to alter their behaviour. Unfortunately, however, these distress signals often go unheard by man.

One day, the Singapore cherry tree and several others that shared its divine ground suddenly disappeared. A rising Bengaluru's concrete jungle had pushed away the jungle thriving on photosynthesis. Wooden branches suddenly looked like cement beams, and tree trunks looked like iron pillars. The trees were gone, and the buildings had arrived. 'Urban' had evicted 'Arboreal'. We got new homes and offices, but the birds came, and were left homeless. Birdsongs have been muted by bulldozer sirens, and leaves seldom rustle anymore, being muzzled by the welders loud at work.

There is a 'Tree of Souls' in the *Avatar* film franchise, which plays a central role in the storyline. Incidentally, this fictitious tree is felled too, devastating the cycle of life on planet 'Pandora'.

But trees are wise. They will forgive and continue to provide us with whatever we need, despite them seeing us wielding a chainsaw. There are over three trillion trees on Earth. They will live on, having seen through all our adventures and misadventures. But it's only honourable that we see life in them.

A GRAND HARVEST

An air of auspiciousness seems to be hovering around every Malayali and Keralite with Onam almost upon us. Starting this week, with the main date falling on August 29, here's a list of eateries in the city that are offering grand feasts where you taste a bit of Kerala during Onam

Delectable Indulges

Go for this feast with your friends and family, prepared by passionate chefs with ingredients gathered from Kerala's best, as they like to claim. The spread will be open for a while so take your time, go and enjoy!
WHEN: August 25-September 3, 12pm-4pm
WHERE: Salt Mango Tree Restaurant, Indiranagar
DETAILS: 9886037105 **PRICE:** ₹1,450 ++

Harvested Food

Gather yourself and rush to this eatery to enjoy the flavours of Onam and get a taste of Kerala. Delicious dishes like house-made shakara varatti and kondattom, madhura curry, kurukku kalan, olan, mathanga erissery are the highlights. **WHEN:** August 29, 12pm-4pm (Four one-hour slots) **WHERE:** Moplah's & TS No. 8, Koramangala
DETAILS: 08867919837 **PRICE:** ₹1,499 ++

Early Celebrations

If August 29 seems too far for you, go to Anju's Cafe, which is putting up a spread two days before!
WHEN: August 27, 12.15pm-1.15pm, 1.30pm-2.30pm (No walk-ins)
WHERE: Rangashankara, JP Nagar
DETAILS: 09845036605
PRICE: ₹1,300 ++

Auspicious Servings

Indulge in a grand feast that captures the essence of Onam! Head to Stone Street by BHive for an exquisite Onasadhya served on a traditional banana leaf, the spread includes 30 authentic dishes, including authentic delicacies like sharkara varatti, koottu curry, inchi puli, parippu pradhaman, among others.
WHEN: August 29, 12pm-4pm **WHERE:** BTM Layout
DETAILS: 096324 52266 **PRICE:** ₹945 ++

Southern Savouries

As the name of the place suggests, they specialise in Kerala's cuisine so for them to create a grand feast for Onam is a no-brainer. Go and relish! **WHEN:** August 29, 12.30pm-4.30pm
WHERE: God's Own Cafe, Koramangala
DETAILS: 09980739700
PRICE: ₹600 ++ (advance booking), ₹750 ++ (on August 28, 29)

Keralite Offerings

What's better than going to a place for a place specialising in Kerala's cuisine? This eatery has everything ready to offer you. Make sure to not miss it.
WHEN: August 29, 12pm-4pm
WHERE: Vembanad - The Paul Bangalore, Domlur
DETAILS: 08040477777
PRICE: ₹1,750 ++

(The author is a counsellor with InnerSight)

TESTING TIMES

There is a saying in some of the southern states that means something like this: "Even if it is gold, test it to see that it is indeed gold." Things are not what they seem at times, and many things might look like gold but are not really gold at all.

It helps when the gold comes with a tested and true marking that one trusts. When it does not, and sometimes, even when it does, the cautious person when presented with gold will likely put it to some sort of test – it might be to rub it against a hard ridged surface to scrape off a little to see if there was just a golden layer coating something else, maybe a bite and taste test to check if there was something that was more like iron in the piece, maybe hold it in a sweaty hand to see if it leaves a mark, or test with a magnet. One is unlikely to commit big money to some metal thinking it is gold without testing it.

We often are willing to trust our entire selves with another person for the sake of love, forsaking any testing of the feelings to see what is it that we feel, or whether it would be reciprocated. That said, what will you test love for even if you wish to test it?

One set of tests could be about looking for the absence of unloving behaviours. Is the person someone who stonewalls, or gaslights? Do they get sarcastic and mean, devaluing others in the name of being real? Are they someone who lets resentment build up over time, rather than addressing issues as and when they arise? Do they give the silent treatment and withdraw? Are they critical even when not needed?

Another could be to check for compatibility across a number of different dimensions. One could start with values and beliefs, and move on to many other including social aspects, family and friends, physical and sexual compatibility, fiscal or professional compatibility and other aspects.

What if you consider a third set of tests? Love after all is not one feeling but a composite of many attributes such as kindness, compassion, affection, care and more. Can you check if the love you feel is not self-serving but patient and generous? What about checking if this love keeps score, or is forgiving? Is there humility in love, or is it too proud?

One wishes there were some kind of certifying agency that would assess a prospective partner for us and certify whether real love is possible. Perhaps that's why so many of us introduce prospects to friends and family, trusting their opinions and impressions to guide us, or turn to horoscopes or other esoteric methods.

Testing our love for someone is not a betrayal or an unloving act in itself. If you can test a piece of gold, why should you not want to test to see if the loving feelings you are experiencing will be true?

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PUBLIC NOTICE
CHANGE OF NAME

CHANGE OF NAME
I **SHIVAPPA V ALAGAWADI,** S/O VEERABHADRAPPA, No 42, 1st floor, 2nd Main Road Ranganathpur, Prashantnagar, Bangalore 79. Have changed my daughter's Name. From **SHREEGOURI** To **SHREEGOURI S ALAGAWADI.** DOB: 01-01-2008. Vaide affidavit dated 19.08.2023 Sworn before Notary H S Sakalesh Aradhya. For all purposes

CHANGE OF NAME
I, KISHOR KUMAR KHANDELWAL (New Name), S/o. Late. Maganlalji, residing of No.33/1, Sapthagiri Complex, Ground Floor, 8th Cross, Opposite Bata Show Room, Wilson Garden, Bangalore-560027, Karnataka, India, that I have changed my name from KISHORE KUMAR (Old Name) to KISHOR KUMAR KHANDELWAL (New Name), henceforth I shall be known and called KISHOR KUMAR KHANDELWAL (New Name) only for all purpose, vide Affidavit dated : 21/08/2023, before Notary MOHAMMED HUSSAIN. K, Bangalore.

DECLARATION
I, **SAHANA P. BHARADWAJ,** W/o Sri Pradeep .D.R, D/o Late K.T. Venugopal, aged about 39 years, presently R/at No. 18/8, Bharadwaj Nilaya, 4th Main Road, 4th Cross, Near Balaji Kalyana Mantapa, MSR Nagar, Mathikere, Bengaluru-560054, do hereby declare that both the names i.e., **SAHANA P. BHARADWAJ** and **SAHANA .K.V** are one and the same and belongs to me only, henceforth I shall be known and called as **SAHANA P. BHARADWAJ** only, vide affidavit dated 17-08-2023, sworn before Advocate and Notary **B. HANUMANTHARAYA** at Bangalore.

AFFIDAVIT
I, **SURESH .M** S/o Mallappa, aged about 54 years, R/at No. 66, Priyadarshini Layout, Devasandra, K.R. Puram, Bangalore-560036, Karnataka, do hereby declare that all the names i.e., **M SURESH, SURESH M** and **SURESHA M** are one and the same and belongs to me only, henceforth I shall be known and called as **SURESH M** only, vide affidavit dated 21-08-2023, sworn before Advocate and Notary **C. SASIKALA** at Bangalore.

AFFIDAVIT
I, **Mrs. HASEENA BANU** W/o Chand Pasha, aged about 45 years, R/at #185, Islampura Village, Kasaba Hobli, Nelamangala Taluk, Bangalore Rural District-562123 do hereby declare that my correct name is **HASEENA BANU** and my wrong name is **HASEENA BANU MATHEENULLA,** vide affidavit dated 17th August 2023, sworn before Advocate and Notary **GANGARAJA .C.B** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **MUNMAYEE GAONKAR,** aged 38 years, Wife of Mr. Dhruva Raj Gaonkar, Residing at # 172, SRIKRISHNA, 1st Main, Vittal Nagara, Bangalore South, Bangalore, Karnataka - 560078, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **MUNMAYEE BISWAL** to **MUNMAYEE GAONKAR** vide affidavit dated 21.08.2023 sworn to before Ganesh Gowda M.V., Advocate & Notary Publilc, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **GEETHA NAJAPPA** D/o **Nanjappa Narayanappa Muniyappa** R/at No.76, Kacharakanahlli ST Thomas Town, Bangalore- 560084, have changed my name to **GEETHA N (GEETHA NANJAPPA)** vide affidavit dated: 19/8/2023 Before Notary **S.R.Nanjunda Swamy** Bangalore.

AFFIDAVIT
I, **V. Lakshmi** W/o. V. Mohan Naidu , aged about 50 years R/at No. 002, Ground Floor, Essjay Divine Bliss Apartment, 4th Main, 16th Cross, BHEL Layout Rajarajeshwarinagar, Bangalore - 560 098 , I hereby declare that my name is mentioned as **VETTIKUNTLA LAKSHMI** by mistake in my Passport, whereas, in all documents and in Aadhar Card my name is mentioned as **V. LAKSHMI.** Both the above stated names are of one and same person. I request through this affidavit to consider my name as **V. LAKSHMI.** Sworn before Advocate & Notary Manjula Jangam wide affidavit dated 16.08.2023

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **PRASHANT V KOLLI,** S/o, Vijanath Kolli, aged about 24 years, Residing at, No.3-88/2, Bhankur Shahabad (Rural), Near HPS Government School, Gulbarga-585228, Karnataka, have changed my name from **PRASHANTH** (Old Name) to **PRASHANT V KOLLI** (New Name), vide Affidavit dated: 19-08-2023, sworn before Advocate & Notary Public, G.R. Ravichandra Reddy, Bengaluru, for all Official and Future Purposes.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, Balachandra Nayak S/o Krishna Nayak, Residing at #53, 12th Main, Mariyappa Palya, K.P.Agrahara, Bangalore-560023 have changed my name from **BALACHANDRA** to **BALACHANDRA NAYAK** Vide affidavit dated 21-08-23 sworn before notary A.R. Muneer Ahmed, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, Daggupati Bhargav Sai S/o Khaj ahussain Shaik, Residing at Flat No 408, Green Tree, Sapthagiri Apartment,Kumbena Agrahara, Kadugodi, B'lore-67 have changed my name from **SHAIK BABJAN to DAGGUPATI BHARGAV SAI** Vide affidavit dated 21-08-23 sworn before notary A.R. Gopalkrishna, B'lore. and Gazette No. DPS/GCP/Unit-2/Gazette/ 236 / 2023-24

AFFIDAVIT
I, **Mr. SYED MOHIDDIN** S/o Syed Dasthagir, aged about 52 years, R/at #100, 2nd Cross, Jamia Masjid Road, Islampura Village, Kasaba Hobli, Nelamangala Taluk, Bangalore Rural District-562123 do hereby declare that my correct name is **SYED MOHIDDIN** wrong name is **SYED MOHIDRIS,** and my correct DOB 01-06-1971 and wrong DOB 02-04-1966 and my father correct name is **SYED DASTHAGIR,** vide affidavit dated 17th August 2023, sworn before Advocate and Notary **GANGARAJA .C.B** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, (OLD NAME) SHUJATHALIKHAN SAMIULLA KHAN, Residing at No. 4, 7th Cross, Near Acharya College, CIL Layout, Cholanayakanahalli, Bangalore-560032, have changed my name from **(OLD NAME) SHUJATHALIKHAN SAMIULLA KHAN** to **(NEW NAME) SHUJATH ALI KHAN** vide affidavit Dated 10/08/2023 sworn before Notary R.Vishwanath, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, A.AROCKIA RANI spouse of No.JC-313440L, SUB, R.ANTONY DURAIRAJ, residing at Gangapattu (Vill & Post), Kilpennathur (Taluk), Tiruvannamalai (Dist), Tamil Nadu (State), PIN: 606804, have changed my name to **(NEW NAME) AROCKIA RANI.P** vide affidavit dated 16.08.2023 sworn before Notary S.I.Balaguru Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **I L N Pushpa / Pushpa L N** D/o Late L Nagarajarao aged about 62 years presently residing at No.23, "Poornapragna" Kempanna Layout, Ramachandrapura, Jalahalli Post, Behind Sky Bazzar, Bangalore – 560013, Karnataka, India. I have changed my name from **L N Pushpa / Pushpa L N** to **Pushpa Lakshmeshwar Nagarajarao** vide affidavit dated 21st August'2023 before notary A Manjula registration No. 13250 at Bangalore

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **NISHA DEVI, NISHA VISHWAKARMA, W/O RAKESH KUMAR VISHWAKARMA, aged about 36 years, Residing at 28, Opp Shobha Apartment, Thanisandra, Bangalore 560077, Karnataka,** Have changed my name to **NISHA.R.V** vide affidavit dated 14/08/2023 sworn before advocate and notary B.V. Nagabhushana, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **RUCHIKA SHETTY,** D/o T. Ramesh, aged 13 years, R/of No. 98/3-A-1, Comfort Palace, Flat No. 101, 2nd Cross, 29th Main, 1st Stage, B.T.M Layout, Bangalore-560068, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **RUCHIKA RAMESH** to **RUCHIKA SHETTY,** henceforth I shall be known and called as **RUCHIKA SHETTY** only, vide affidavit dated 19-08-2023, sworn before Advocate and Notary **B.G. SRIRAM** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **PASHUPATI CHOUDHARY,** S/o Arun Narayan Choudhary, R/at A-304, Krishvi Wisteria Village Road, Tigalarpalya Brookfield, Marathahalli, Bengaluru-560037, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **PASHUPATI NARAYAN CHOUDHARY** to **PASHUPATI CHOUDHARY,** henceforth I shall be known and called as **PASHUPATI CHOUDHARY** only, vide affidavit dated 21-08-2023, sworn before Advocate and Notary **N. KANCHIVARADARAJU** at Bangalore.

AFFIDAVIT
I, **NARASIMHAIAH,** aged about 59 years, S/o Thimmaiah, R/of No. 499, 4th 'A' Main, 2nd Stage, Mahalakshmipuram, Bengaluru North, Bengaluru-560086, do hereby declare that **NARASIMHAIAH** and **NARASIMHA** are one and the same and belongs to me only, vide affidavit dated 11-08-2023, sworn before Advocate and Notary **RATNA .N** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **AHILANDEESWARI R** R/at No.G4 Block-1, Bhanu Paradise Apartments Chellekere Bangalore- 560043, have changed my name to **AHILANDEESWARI** vide affidavit dated:19/8/2023 Before Notary **S.R.Nanjunda Swamy** Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I,**GOVARDHAN RAO MOKALE** R/at No.2, Near Hotel Jodi Hanumana Palya, Nelamangal Taluk, Kasaba Hobli, Mahadevapura, Bangalore-562123, I State that My Names i.e., **GOVARDHAN RAO MOKALE, GOVARDANA RAO MAKALE HANUMANTH RAO** and **GOVARDHAN RAO** Belongs to me only, in future I may be called and Continued as **GOVARDHAN RAO.H,** vide affidavit dated: 21/8/2023 Before Notary **M.K.Devaki** Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, DHIRENDRA KUMAR KHANDELWAL (New Name), S/o. Kishor Kumar Khandelwal, residing of No.265/267, 3rd Floor, 11th Cross, 10th Main, Wilson Garden, Bangalore-560027, Karnataka, India, that I have changed my name from DHIRENDRA KUMAR (Old Name) DHIRENDRA KUMAR KHANDELWAL (New Name), henceforth I shall be known and called DHIRENDRA KUMAR KHANDELWAL (New Name) only for all purpose, vide Affidavit dated : 21/08/2023, before Notary MOHAMMED HUSSAIN. K, Bangalore.

AFFIDAVIT
I, **SAHANA P. BHARADWAJ,** W/o Sri Pradeep .D.R, D/o Late K.T. Venugopal, aged about 39 years, presently R/at No. 18/8, Bharadwaj Nilaya, 4th Main Road, 4th Cross, Near Balaji Kalyana Mantapa, MSR Nagar, Mathikere, Bengaluru-560054, do hereby declare that both the names i.e., **SAHANA P. BHARADWAJ** and **SAHANA PRADEEP** are one and the same and belongs to me only, henceforth I shall be known and called as **SAHANA P. BHARADWAJ** only, vide affidavit dated 17-08-2023, sworn before Advocate and Notary **B. HANUMANTHARAYA** at Bangalore.

AFFIDAVIT
I, **S. LAKSHMI SHANKAR** W/o M. Shankar, aged about 60 years, R/at No. 52/1, Laksminivasa Near Chamundeswari Temple, Krishna Temple Road, Dodda Bommasandra, Bengaluru North, Bengaluru-560097, do hereby declare that my correct name is **S. LAKSHMI SHANKAR** but in some documents my name is mentioned as **SHANKAR LAKSHMI** instead of **S. LAKSHMI SHANKAR,** vide affidavit dated 19-08-2023, sworn before Advocate and Notary **M. RAMESH** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **BANITA CLARENCE LOBO DSOUZA,** aged about 58 years, W/o Vivian Franklin Dsouza, R/at #11, Eagle Street, Langford Town, Bengaluru-560025, Karnataka State, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **BANITA CLARENCE LOBO** to **BANITA CLARENCE LOBO DSOUZA,** henceforth I shall be known and called as **BANITA CLARENCE LOBO DSOUZA** only, vide affidavit dated 21-08-2023, sworn before Advocate and Notary **GANGARAJU .B.N** at Bangalore.

AFFIDAVIT
I, **MUKUL CHAKRABARTI,** W/o Late V. Jeeva Rathnam, Aged about 80 years, Residing at No. 842, 17th 'G' Main, 5th Block, Rajajinagar, Bangalore - 560 010, do hereby declare that, **Mukul Chakrabarti** alias **Gayatri Jeeva Rathnam** both the names are referred to me only and both are one and the same person. Vide affidavit dated 18.08.2023 sworn to before B. Hanumantharaya, Advocate & Notary, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **CHRISTA PRIYADARSHAN DAYAL BARNABAS** R/at No. HNO 167 T-2 1st Floor Defence Enclave Kothanur K Narayanapura Bangalore- 560077, have changed my name to **CHRISTA PRIYADARSHAN DAYAL** vide affidavit dated: 19/8/2023 Before Notary **S.R.Nanjunda Swamy** Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, (OLD NAME) RAMURTHY, father of Service No:16113581Y SPR, MURALEEKRISHNA BOI, residing at House No.14-32-186, Priyadarsini Colony, Gajuwaka, Pedagantyada (Tehsil), Visakhapatnam (Dist), Andhra Pradesh (State), PIN: 530044, have changed my name to **(NEW NAME) BOYIRI RAMMURTHY** vide affidavit dated 17.08.2023 sworn before Notary S.I.Balaguru Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **NAMIR KALRA,** aged 22 years, S/o. Amit Kalra, residing at No. 301-A Block, Vishnu Residency, Thubrahalli, Varthur Main Road, Near Narayana E Techno, Bangalore – 560 066, have changed my name from **NAMIR** to **NAMIR KALRA,** vide affidavit dated 19th August 2023, sworn before Notary C.V. Earappa, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, NEHA ROY, Spouse of Dilip Kumar Roy, resident of Quarter No. P-10/10, AKASH VIHAR, Marathahalli Post, Bangalore – 560037, have changed my name from **NEHA ROY** to **NEHA YADAV** vide affidavit dated 17-08-2023, sworn before Notary C.V. Earappa, Bangalore.

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I, **MALLIKARJUN S HADAPAD,** aged about 23 years, S/o. Shivarudrappa, permanent resident of Surkod Vill & Post, Naragund Taluk, Gadag District PIN : 582 207, Karnataka State and presently residing at # 291, Sri Male Mahadeshwara Nilaya, K.H. Ranganatha Colony, Mysore Road, Bengaluru - 560 026, I lost my SSLC Marks Sheet / Certificate, Register No. 20160236357, Year of Passing April 2016, Institution : Navodaya High School, Naragund Taluk, Gadag District. If any body found please inform 083107 63024. I sweared the affidavit dated 19.08.2023 regarding this before Notary K. Venkateshan, Advocate & Notary, Govt. of India, Bengaluru.

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'COLLABORATING WITH AN ARTIST OF RAJ'S CALIBER DOES INDUCE A SENSE OF INTIMIDATION'

says Chaithra Achar, about her upcoming film, Toby, as she delves into her experiences, journey, and collaborations while working in a Raj B Shetty's film

A SHARADHAA

Chaithra B Achar proved her versatility right in her first film *Mahira*, and had impressive follow-ups with films like *Taledanda* and Gilky among others. She proved her multi-faceted talents by excelling both as a singer and an actor. "Singing was a natural gift. However, despite my training, I never intended to become a playback singer. After my singing course, my family believed I could participate in concerts. However, acting was my chosen path. Even without formal training in films or theatre, I was open to being a stage actor or appearing in movies. In the end, I unexpectedly embraced the latter, and it brought me immense joy," shares Chaithra, who is starring in Raj B Shetty's upcoming film, Toby.

Apart from writing the script, Raj has co-directed the film with Basil Alchalakka, and is backing the project under his LighterBuddha Films in collaboration with Coffee Gang Studios, Agastya Films and Smooth Sailers. The movie is slated for release on August 25, and features music by Midhun Mukundan and cinematography by Praveen Shriyan.

In a conversation with *CE*, Chaithra delves into her experiences, journey, and collaborations while working on *Toby*. Excerpts:

How does your background as a singer influence your approach to acting, and do you find common threads in connecting with the audience in both domains?
Both singing and acting have a grounding effect on me. When I perform, a constant melody plays in my mind. During intense scenes, a song that resonates with the mood automatically adds the appropriate emotions. This occurs naturally and reinforces my belief that both skills of singing and acting complement one another.

Could you describe the distinctive qualities that *Toby* brings to storytelling and your portrayal of the character?
Toby sets itself apart as something truly special, even for Raj B Shetty. The film was designed to have mass appeal while retaining Raj's authentic style. It subtly incorporates elements not usually found in mainstream entertainment, yet still makes it relatable. What strikes me most is that every character, regardless of screen time, leaves a significant impact, making them all leading characters in their own right.

A still from the film

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> — Chaithra Achar, actor

Chaithra Achar

What aspects of your character in *Toby* were particularly intriguing or challenging to portray?
Despite being told that I'm well-suited for such roles, embodying Jenny in *Toby* presented its own set of challenges. In my role in *Gilky*, I encountered physical and mental stressors; however, *Toby* necessitated immediate emotional responses. Raj's direction called for subtlety without any exaggeration. Furthermore, adapting to a rural ambience posed its challenges, especially given my urban background. Although my father hails from Tumkur, my interactions with village life were limited to around 10 days during a summer vacation. Being a cosmopolitan Bengaluru girl, adopting the mannerisms of a woman from Kumta proved to be quite demanding. This lead me to observe the people from that region. While memorising lines and delivering them is a given, the challenge lies in infusing them with genuine emotions. Raj often stressed, 'Don't memorise the dialogues,' which was a departure from other filmmakers' practices. Here, we had the freedom to express dialogues in our own words within the confines of the script. I could rearrange and shuffle words, but the ultimate goal was to convey them with the right emotions. Collaborating with an artist of Raj's calibre does induce a sense of intimidation. A natural competitive spirit pushes you to perform at par with such a remarkable artist.

Could you share your experience working with director Raj B Shetty and the rest of the cast on *Toby*? Any memorable moments?
I share scenes with actors like, Gopal Krishna Deshpande, and Samyukta Hornad, albeit briefly. However, most of my scenes revolve around Raj, who is not only an actor but also a director and co-writer. This dynamic creates a truly unique setting. He offers us creative freedom while maintaining his own vision. Our interactions on set often resemble the playful dynamic of Tom & Jerry. Since I knew him from my first film, I always felt his constructive criticism stems from a place of care. This secure environment provided me the space to experiment and yet remain aligned with the director's artistic vision. Observing Raj transition seamlessly between roles, both behind the camera and as an actor, was a significant fan moment for me. This process also served as a valuable learning tool. What I appreciate most about him is his sensibility; he respects the actor's process without undue interference.

As *Toby* readies for release, what emotions do you hope viewers will experience, and what message does the story convey?
Toby promises to be a comprehensive entertainer, blending sentiment, laughter, action, and excitement. The narrative is deeply rooted in powerful emotions, and I am confident that viewers will connect with my character and rally behind her. Raj's perspective is that cinema is emotion, and the message that emotion sells holds true in this context. "*Toby* as a whole is a well-rounded package.

Do you aspire to remain a critically acclaimed actor, or are you drawn towards the glamorous side of commercial cinema?
I am happy with the projects I have been part of to date. I also have a glamorous side in real life and like to be part of such roles. However, I am meticulous in choosing scripts of value. Given my non-filmy background, building a diverse body of work was imperative. Collaborating with esteemed production houses like Lighter Buddha Films for *Toby* and Paramvah Studios for my upcoming project with Rakshit Shetty has been exceptionally rewarding. While it was challenging to star in films like *Mahira, Taledanda,* and Gilky, it is these choices that brought me my next projects. Definitely, I can play glamorous roles, provided I am convinced why I should pick up the project. I want to work with stars like Yash, but it is important how much value I can bring to that project.

With *Sapta Sagaradaache Yello* set to release on October 20, what can we expect next from Chaithra?
Apart from *Sapta...,* which will feature me in the 'Side B' of Hemanth M Rao's directorial, I have *Happy Birthday To Me, Strawberry,* and *Blink*. I have finalised two projects which will be announced after the release of *Sapta....* Meanwhile, I will continue to explore opportunities with the same passion and dedication.

Meghana Raj's comeback film, *Tatsama Tatbhava* locks release date

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Meghana Raj's comeback film, *Tatsama Tatbhava,* gets a release date. Vishal Atreya's detective crime thriller will hit theatres on September 15. The announcement of the release date for Tatsama Tatbhava was shared on social media with the caption - "Crime has a new adversary, and it's time to unravel the puzzle!"

A teaser was previously released by the makers, offering a glimpse into the story. In the teaser, Meghana Raj is seen reporting her husband's puzzling disappearance to the police, while Prajwal Devaraj plays the role of an investigator. The movie brings together a close-knit group of Meghana Raj's friends, with actor and director Pannaga Bharana making his debut as a producer, under the PBStudios4 banner, with music composed by Vasuki Vaibhav, and cinematography by Srinivas Ramaiah.

Meghana Raj, who was last seen in Selfie *Mummy Google Daddy* (2022), is also involved in Upendra's upcoming project, *Buddhivantha 2*. Pannaga Bharana was previously associated with *French Biriyani,* which was backed by PRK Productions and featured Danish Sait in the lead role.

A poignant tale of love, loss, and loneliness

KARTIK BHARDWAJ

Anu, a short film by director Pulkit Arora, bagged the Audience Award and the Creative NZ Emerging Talent Award at the New Zealand International Film Festival this year. The short, which is Pulkit's first in New Zealand, has also been selected for competition at the 2023 Melbourne International Film Festival.

The film is a poignant story of a middle-aged woman coping with the loss of her husband during the pandemic. Starring Prabha Ravi as the eponymous Anu, it shows how she deals with grief while being quarantined in a hotel room after landing in New Zealand.

We spoke to Prabha about how she got the role, doing a film after almost forty years and how she balanced shooting while campaigning for an election.
Excerpts:

How did *Anu* happen?
I saw this advertisement for an audition call in a newspaper here in New Zealand. I registered for it and was contacted by the director (Pulkit Arora). I am based in Wellington and he lives in Auckland but he was flying here for some screen tests. I auditioned for the part and bagged the role.

You aren't a professional actor. Were you apprehensive about facing the camera for *Anu?*
I am actually not shy in front of the camera (laughs). Although the only film role I did was in a musical back in 1982 when I was 11, I have been a judge at this reality show called *The Great New Zealand Dance Masal*a.

Anu might hit home for a lot of people since it is about a woman being caged in a hotel room. How was the lockdown for you?
I didn't experience quarantine personally but Pulkit (the director) was in it for two weeks. That inspired him to write the script of the film. Some of my very close friends and relatives in New Zealand contracted COVID-19 and were in quarantine. They said, at times, it felt like jail. I was thinking about their experiences while I was playing the role of Anu. How painful it would have been for her to be unable to do her deceased husband's Pind Daan (a Hindu cremation ritual).

There are some really-hard hitting scenes in the film. Like the one where Anu has breakfast every morning, with her husband's coat draped around a chair opposite her or when she listens to his voice notes over and over. How did you approach these scenes?
What was important for me is to not overthink it. I just took the scene and tried to be in that moment. Imbibe it. Pulkit was very clear. He told me not to over-dramatise it. Before shooting, he actually prepared me. He talked to me about how I would feel if confronted with overwhelming sadness. How would I have reacted if I was in a similar situation? Anu needed to be grieving yet determined to do her husband's pind-daan herself. I needed to strike that balance.

Is it tough to shoot such emotionally-harrowing scenes?
What was actually difficult was getting into the skin of the character while having other commitments. We shot last September and at that time I was campaigning for getting elected in the local council here in Wellington. It was just a week before the voting and I had to shoot in a different city. The film is such a sad story and here I was replying to messages, in-between takes, engaging with my electorate and being jubilant. And in the next moment, Pulkit would call me to delve deep into sadness in order to enact the scene. This push and pull of emotions was really exhausting.

Prabha Ravi

Srujan Lokesh's directorial debut, *GST*, features unique elements

CE FEATURES

After successfully playing the role of an actor, television host, and producer, Srujan Lokesh is set to turn director with his upcoming film, *GST*. Written by Srujan, the shooting commenced on Monday, with producer Sandesh Nagaraj giving the clap, and Srujan's mother, Girija Lokesh operating the camera.

T.S. Nagabharana, P. Sheshadri, Sundararaj, Tara, Shruti, Nirup Bhandari, and other notable figures graced the event, sharing their best wishes with the film team.

Revealing *GST* to be *Ghost in Trouble* Srujan says, "This title suggests that even ghosts face problems. To understand this issue, one must watch the film itself. The movie will be immensively entertaining."

With Srujan playing the lead, the film also features Rajani Bharadwaj, Niveditha Gowda, Girija Lokesh, Pramod Shetty, Tabla Nani, Aravind Rao, Ravi Shankar Gowda, Vinod Gobbagaragal, and others in significant roles. GST's music is by Chandan Shetty, and Suresh is in charge of cinematography.

Delving deep into certain unique elements incorporated in his debut directorial, Srujan says, "My lucky number is 7. This is 2023, and the numbers add to 7. This film marks my 25th project, and what is 2 + 5? 7, right! This is Sandesh Productions' 34th film, which again adds to 7. Another exceptional aspect is like how my father and I were child artists in our respective fathers' films, *GST* will mark the debut of son Sukruth as a child artist. As always, my mother is the guiding factor for this project. For all these reasons, this film is genuinely distinct," he says.

The makers have revealed that the film will be shot in places around Bengaluru.

Team *GST*

Srujan Lokesh and Rajini Bharadwaj